

The President's Report

Here is the report of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company that Mr. Russell H. Leonard, President and Treasurer of the company presented to shareholders. It covers the business year from July 1, 1940, through June 30, 1941, and describes some of the conditions that have affected the business.

The fiscal year 1941 was one of increased production, increased sales volume and increased profits. The demand for goods was so high that production was limited only by the capacity of the plants and the ability to obtain the necessary skilled workers. Sales aggregated \$38,639,270, a 32% increase over last year. The net income, after depreciation, all taxes, and a transfer of \$500,000 to contingency reserve, amounted to \$1,868,543, or 4.8% of sales. The transfer to contingency reserve was made in order to provide for possible shrinkage in inventory values and other contingencies. Since the year 1933 the sharply increased volume of sales has made heavy demands on operating capital, necessitating at times substantial borrowings; but it will be noticed we are closing this year free from bank debt and our satisfactory net current asset situation should insure our ability to weather any financial storms that may lie ahead.

The unusual demand for cotton goods began in September, 1940, and increased in strength throughout the winter and spring. The seasonal slackening in demand which usually occurs between February and June did not materialize this year and sales continued to exceed production right through this period. As a result, the average cotton mill had sold, as early as June, its entire production for the balance of the calendar year 1941.

In the late spring the Federal Government announced an increase in minimum wages in our industry from 32½¢ to 37½¢ per hour, effective June 30, 1941. This increase affected a large number of mills in the South, but in the North all except a few were already paying more than the new minimum. The unusual drain of young men into the armed forces and competition among the various industries for workers have created a scarcity of labor which has hampered us somewhat this year and may hamper us more in the future. This is especially marked in the case of mechanical forces which have been rapidly drained away to the essential war industries, steel, airplanes and shipyards.

We think that sincere efforts are being made generally by mill managements and sales organizations to prevent repeated rises in prices. Voluntary curbs are, of course, difficult in the circumstances existing today. Wages have increased substantially and by artificially boosting the price of cotton through its control of surplus stocks and its loan policy, the Government has substantially increased the cost of our raw material. On the other hand, it seeks to tone down any inflationary price rises and has already put arbitrary ceilings on certain prices. No doubt the emergency requires this action however inadvisable it would be in normal times. Under present conditions, with the extent and the effect of government regulation of prices uncertain, it is not possible without unusual hazard to make any prediction as to price trends, costs or profits. Business life must be lived on a day-to-day basis.

To keep prices and costs from rising to the point where they stimulate abnormal production is in present times not only patriotic but sound business judgment. The

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Mills at BIDDEFORD, MAINE, LEWISTON, MAINE, FALL RIVER, MASS., LINDALE, GA., AND OPELIKA, ALA.
Executive Offices 160 STATE ST., BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. General Sales Offices 40 WORTH ST., NEW YORK, N. Y.*

SEPTEMBER, 1941

40 PEOPLE HAVE GOT INSURANCE BENEFITS IN BIDDEFORD

**Total of \$1,313 Has Been Paid
Up To Date**

The Group Hospital and Surgical Insurance Plan offered to the employees at Biddeford, three months ago, was widely accepted with over three quarters of the employees making application. The first two months after the insurance became effective, 40 employees took advantage of its benefits. Several of these cases were acute but the majority were ailments of several years' standing, thus allowing the operation to be done with the cost well within reach of the employee.

\$1,313.25 Paid In First Two Months

Nine of the 40 who have received benefits have not as yet submitted their bills, but the remaining 31 have been paid a total of \$1,313.25 or an average of \$42.36 each. This covered hospital, surgical, laboratory and other expenses as outlined in the pamphlet which was distributed. The largest claim paid was \$125.00 and this was for a person who was

The Front Cover

Your reporter took a trip to Camp Edwards on Cape Cod to find out how some of 1,500,000 sheets such as your company has been making for the Army were used. The front cover shows some of the sheets stacked in the hospital supply room at this camp, ready to be distributed to the wards. Other photos on page 20.



Florence Beaudoin is employed on the second shift in the sheeting-spinning at Biddeford. She received \$114.00 for an appendectomy. She has three children and says "The money came in very useful."

in the hospital for the full 31 days allowed under the plan. The smallest payment was \$2.50 for a finger repair which was done in the doctor's office.

New Employees Eligible After 30 Days

At the time this hospitalization plan was put into effect, it was required that new employees (or persons hired after the plan was in force), would not be eligible until they had worked for three months. Because the management desired to have these new employees who have signed up for the insurance, receive benefits sooner, arrangements have been made, whereby these new employees are eligible at the end of only one month. In other words, if a new employee has signed up and worked a month, he is eligible to receive benefits.

Benefits from this type of insurance are not merely paid in cases of accidents or when a person is sick at work. They are paid whenever a person requires hospital or surgical attention for any ailment or accident that may have occurred recently or any time in the past, except in cases of industrial accidents which are covered by compensation insurance.

DEFENSE SAVINGS STAMPS CAN BE BOUGHT FOR 25 CENTS

**\$18.75 Bond Increases
to \$25.00 in 10 Years**

In installments of twenty-five cents each, payable at any time you want, you can buy a Government Defense Savings Bond that is valued at \$18.75, when all the payments are made, and this same bond, after it has been paid up for ten years, will be worth \$25.00.

Stamps Printed For Convenience

These Defense Savings Bonds are an important part of the Defense Program, and they can be bought at any post office. If, for instance, you wanted to get one of the \$18.75 bonds, all you would have to do is to go to the post office or bank and buy one twenty-five cent savings stamp. Then you'd get a small folder to paste this stamp in. In the same folder there would be room for 74 other stamps to be pasted. You can buy these other stamps at any time you want—once a week, once a day, once a month—and then paste them in the book. When



At the top you see the inside of one of the stamp books and at the bottom the front cover. This book holds \$18.75 worth of 25c stamps that can be bought individually and when redeemed in ten years, the total book will bring \$25.00.



Our Government says the best way in which a person can both serve his country and at the same time conserve his earnings is to buy a Savings Bond. A \$75.00 Bond at the end of ten years will mature to \$100.00. Miss Marcoux (right) Biddeford employee, is purchasing a stamp from Mrs. Towle of the First National Bank.

you have the book full of stamps, 75 of them, it is worth \$18.75.

Then you can exchange the book for a \$25.00 bond, and at the end of ten years you can get \$25.00 for the stamps that cost you \$18.75. If at any time in the ten years you want to cash the bond in, you can do so, provided you do it two months after the bond is issued. If you do cash it in, before the ten years is up, you'll receive interest on your money at the rate of 2.9% a year, compounded semi-annually.

Money Backed By U. S. Government

These bonds are issued in different sizes. The ones that cost \$37.50, become worth \$50.00 in ten years. Those that cost \$75. are worth \$100. in ten years. And of course these larger ones can be redeemed on the same basis as the one described above, before the ten years is up. They can be registered in the name of one person, or in the name of two people as co-owners, or in the name of one person and another person who would receive the proceeds of the bond if the first person should die before it was redeemed.

The full faith and credit of the United States Government is pledged for payment of both principal and interest on these bonds, so they naturally are one of the safest places to put any money.

OUR ANNUAL REPORT Quiz PROGRAM

Our own Professor Quiz took an imaginary trip through the mill. He was asked a lot of questions by many of the people.

On this and the next three pages are the questions he was asked, on the left, and the answers to them on the right.



1.
We sold cloth amounting to \$38,-
640,000. This, of course, includes all
the different kinds of cloths made by
all the mills.



2.
Including the cost of everything that
went into the cost of running the busi-
ness, the cost of making the cloth was
\$36,771,000.



3.
Materials and supplies cost \$19,000,-
000 (Cotton, Wool, Rayon, boxes, dye
stuffs, starch, etc.). Labor cost \$9,-
000,000. Wear and tear on buildings
and machinery cost \$1,500,000. Taxes
were \$1,500,000. Finishing costs were
\$4,400,000. Heat, light, power, steam,
insurance, selling expenses, and many
other things make up the rest of it.



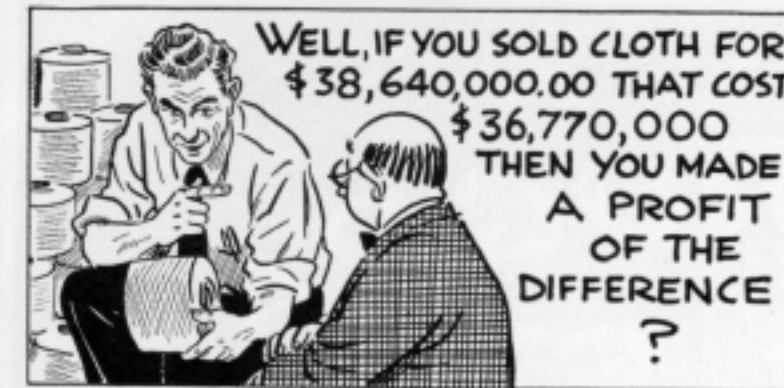
4.
\$84,000 was paid in Social Security
taxes that are to be used as Old Age
Insurance. \$249,000 was paid for un-
employment insurance and \$1,164,-
000 was for local State and Federal
real estate and income taxes. This
makes a total of nearly \$1,500,000.

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5.

That's right, we did show a profit of
\$1,870,000.



6.

On our most popular sheet the profit
would be about a nickel, and it would
be about the same on our largest sell-
ing blankets.



7.

It means that for each dollar's worth
of goods the company sold, about one-
twentieth, or a nickel, was profit.



8.

The stockholders got dividends
amounting to \$585,000 altogether, and
the rest of the profit, or \$1,285,000,
was left in the business to take care
of the regular costs of doing business.



9.

It takes over \$22,000,000 to provide
the investment needed to buy raw
materials, and to purchase all the
things needed, from the time the com-
pany starts to make cloth until it gets
paid for the cloth it sells.

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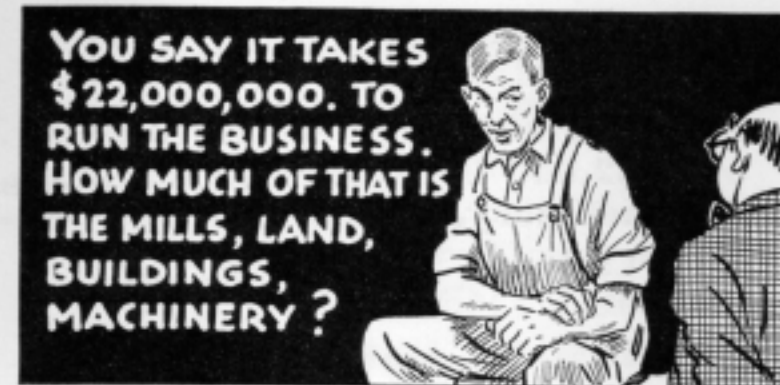
10.

It represents money invested by stockholders, and profits that have been left in the business during other years.



11.

Yes, this \$1,285,000 of the profit the company made this year was left in the business, for the purposes mentioned in Answer No. 9.



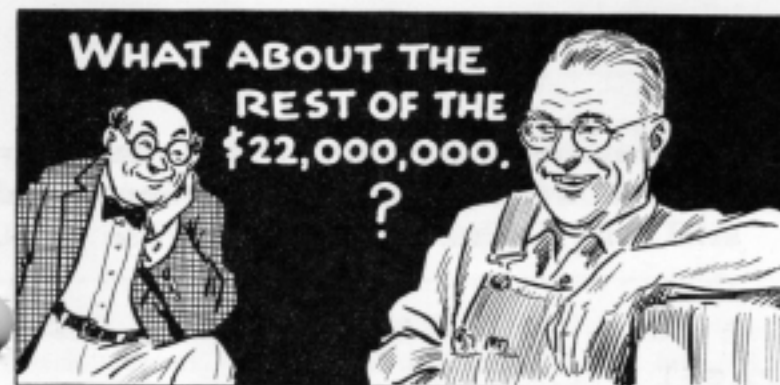
12.

About \$8,320,000 of that money has been put into the physical plant of the company—into machinery, buildings, land, and things of that sort.



13.

No, they cost much more than that but they have been marked down to allow for wear and tear.



14.

Inventories and accounts receivable use up the rest.

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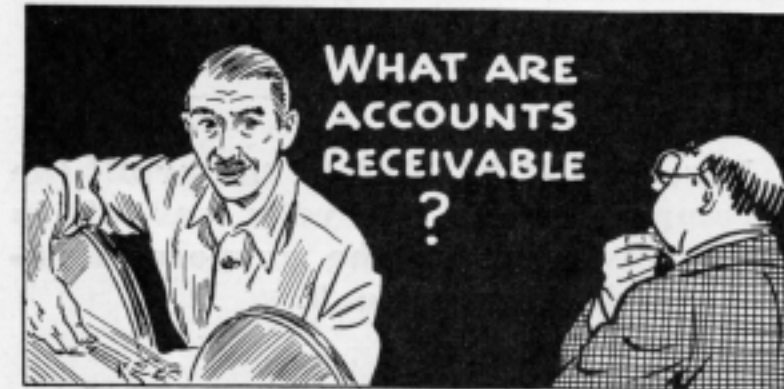
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15.

Inventories mean Cotton, Wool, Rayon and other supplies on hand and in process in the mills, plus cloth that has already been made but which hasn't been shipped to customers. These amounted to \$9,019,000.



16.

They are bills that are owed to the company by customers who have bought cloth from us, and which bills are not yet due to be paid. These amount to \$4,661,000.



17.

For each employee of the company, over \$2,600 is invested in buildings, or machinery, or materials, to provide a job.



18.

About \$67.50 per employee per year —about \$1.30 per week—or about $2\frac{3}{4}\%$ on the investment necessary to provide work for the employee.



19.

It means a financially strong company able to weather business storms and still stay in business to provide jobs.

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THIS IS WHERE THE MONEY GOES



THIS BLACK STRIP REPRESENTS
THE AMOUNT OF BUSINESS DONE
FROM JULY 1, 1940 TO JUNE 30, 1941.

WE PAID THIS
MUCH FOR COTTON
AND OTHER MATERIALS



THIS WAS PAID FOR
WAGES AND SALARIES



THIS WAS SPENT FOR
BLEACHING, DYEING,
SHEET-MAKING, ETC.



THIS WAS SPENT FOR VARIOUS
ITEMS, SUCH AS REPAIRS AND
WEAR AND TEAR ON EQUIPMENT



TAXES TOOK
THIS MUCH



THIS WAS LEFT
IN THE BUSINESS



THE STOCKHOLDERS GOT THIS
FOR INVESTING THEIR MONEY



Look this over closely and you can see that the black parts of each segment represent the amount of money used by the company in various ways during the year. Add them all together

and they equal the solid black bar at the top of the page. This is a brief summary of the questions and answers on the preceding four pages.

ROMEO FAMILY IS TYPICAL OF MANY IN THE MILLS

Mother and Three Daughters
All Work in Biddeford

In the Biddeford plant there are a number of cases where father and son, and mother and daughter are employed, together with many of their in-laws. That is why this plant in particular, has often been termed as one large Pepperell family.

Following In the Footsteps of Their Mother

This particular story deals with Mrs. Exilia Romeo who is a spinner in the Sheeting Division and who has three daughters working at Pepperell who are all spinners in the same division. Miss Donaldo has been employed for four years, and Mrs. Louise Guay for two years and Miss Pauline perhaps may be termed the "baby," for she started the first of this year. Another daughter, Miss Rose, is employed at the York.

Mrs. Romeo was born in Biddeford, received



Pauline Romeo, another daughter, has been employed but nine months and her overseer tells us she is a fine spinner. Pauline is an ardent winter sports fan.



Mrs. Exilia Romeo, employed in room 8-4 with her daughter Donaldo, who is a spinner for the last four years. Both enjoy the art of crocheting.

her education in that city and for the past 20 years has been a reliable and dependable spinner. During her two decades of service she has only worked in two rooms, namely 8-4 and 8-5. All four daughters were born in the mill city and were graduated from St. Andres School.

Purchased Home On Cleaves Street

In 1925 Mrs. Romeo with her husband, who is employed at the Saco-Lowell Shops, purchased their present home on Cleaves at Lafayette street. It was in rather poor condition and had but six rooms. With considerable work and planning, the home was put in good repair and three rooms added. Now they have steam heat, electric refrigeration and all modern furniture and conveniences. As one of the daughters remarked, "We are all working and perhaps can afford it. Not only that but our parents worked hard to bring up the family and we want them to live in modern surroundings."

Needlecraft Is Their Hobby

After working hours the girls share the work of housekeeping and still find plenty of time for recreation and needlecraft. The girls are ardent sports fans and very enthusiastic over skating and tobogganing in winter and baseball in the summer season. Donaldo and Pauline enjoy the art of knitting and crocheting and are very proficient at it for they were taught by their mother. Mrs. Romeo does a large amount of crocheting and among many other articles, completed a bedspread last winter. At the present time she is hooking rugs for the dining room. Mrs. Guay cannot spend as much time as the others for she has four sons and a daughter to care for, which keeps her busily engaged in domestic duties.

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Mrs. Louise Guay is a daughter of Mrs. Exilia Romeo, and she is employed in 8-48. Mrs. Guay has five children, four boys and a girl.

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Large Flower Garden

Surrounding the home, especially in the rear, is a fine flower garden and green lawn which is the admiration of the neighborhood. This setting blends into the landscape very nicely for after all, their home is located on the banks of the historic and peaceful Saco river.



Located at 188 Cleaver Street in Biddeford is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Romeo. Three rooms were added, electric appliances installed, and other modern conveniences after they purchased it in 1925.

WORK OF ARMY INTELLIGENCE CORPS TOLD IN LETTER

Former New York Employee Writes

The following letter was received by Pepperell from an employee of the New York Office who is now in training at Camp Walters, Texas, and shows a new side of Army life that we have not reported before.

"The past several weeks have been very different from any that I have ever spent and it is still hard for me to realize that I am being trained for possible warfare. 'Uncle Sam' has kept us very busy and we are learning how to make it difficult for the enemy to find us and not to mention, shoot us.

"I was placed in the Intelligence Division of an Infantry Headquarters Company and our training is very different from the training given the soldiers in the other companies. The first five weeks are spent learning to drill, handle the rifle, use the bayonet, military courtesy and practice firing the pistol, Springfield and Garand rifles, Browning automatic rifle, the improved Twenty-Two rifle and light machine guns.

"Then the next eight weeks are spent in class rooms and working on typical problems in the field. We learn how to read aerial photographs, make and read all kinds of maps, and do scouting and patrol duty in order to determine positions of friendly and enemy troops."



Black Beauty gives beauty a ride. Miss Rita Rheault, astride old dobbie, has recently been titled Miss Biddeford and Miss Old Orchard. The mare is owned by Adjutor Letourneau, employed in 154 carding at Biddeford.

2,200 SANDWICHES EATEN AT GREAT LEWISTON OUTING

Sports, Prizes, and People
Make a Fine Affair

Old Sol in all his glory shone down on the first annual outing or field day for the employees of the Lewiston Bleachery, on Saturday, August 16th at Bear Pond in North Turner, Maine. The affair was sponsored by the newly formed Foremen's Club using the proceeds from the Coca-Cola fund to defray all expenses. The entire picnic was without cost to the employees.

A Caravan of 190 Cars

Over 190 cars left the Bleachery for the Park at 7:30 A.M. and contests were under way at 9 o'clock and lasted until 6 o'clock in the evening. Each person was given a badge which read "I am a member of the Pepperell fabrics family", which permitted everyone to use all amusements, free of charge. Tickets for attendance prizes had previously been issued and some person's name was drawn every



"Come and get it" was shouted and the line formed on the right. At the end of the lunch period it was found that the food consumed included over 2,200 sandwiches, 125 dozen cookies, 65 dozen ice cream slabs and over 1,200 bottles of Coca-Cola, all of which was free.



Silhouetted against blue sky and fleecy white clouds are Stella Cholewa and Ann Zarkowsky, both employees of the Lewiston sheet factory. They, with many others, took advantage of the fine swimming facilities.

hour to receive a sheet and pillow case set or a towel set. Hourly prizes went to Frank Keneborus, Anna Pelletier, Harold Duston, Gabriel Tetreault, Louise Corriveau, John Keneborus, William Moreau and Melina Masson.

Last One In Is A —?

Water sports were enjoyed by many especially the water sleds which were better known as "shoot the shoot to me sugar". These sleds went down a track into the water on the same principal as a ski shoot used in the wintertime. Mrs. Renaldo Leclair had the distinction of being the first person to take a dip.

Results of All Contests

For those who were more athletically inclined, there was a Tug O'War contest, won by the boys in the Machine Shop over the Sheet Room. Sullivan and Hurd who were brought up on a farm at the

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They were not "wharf sitters" for each one was called in from swimming to sit for this picture. Putting a fish's swimming ability to shame are Kathleen Jackson, G. D. Harrison (bleachery manager) Beatrice Cloutier, W. T. Lawlor and daughter Mary Frances Lawlor.

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corner of Lisbon and Main streets won the horse-shoe pitching contest from Rancourt and Marquis. Miss Levesque threw the old convincer furthest to win the Rolling Pin Throw.

The Misses Pelletier and Bosse had a knack of real cooperation and won the three legged race. The sack race provided thrills with B. Goudreau taking the prize. M. Clabby won the honors in the "spud" race, and H. Guay in the obstacle race. The women's softball teams proved interesting and had some fine material. The Wrappers in the Sheet Factory played the Stitchers with the latter on the high scoring side.

Over 1,200 Coca-Colas Consumed

By this time, everyone was getting pretty hungry. Anthony Cormier who is employed in the Box Shop

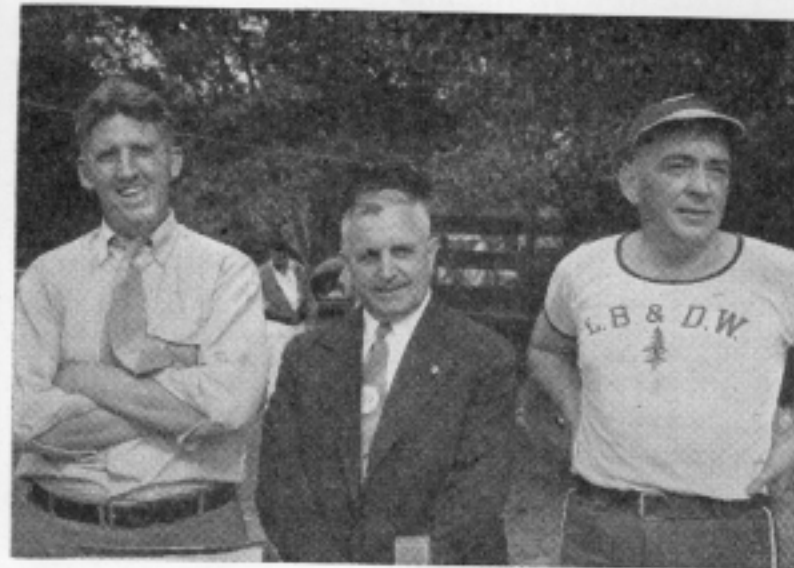
and who operated the sound system, announced that "soup was on" and the food committee went into action. Francis Donovan, a former employee was caterer and did a splendid job in putting up a box lunch which consisted of a lobster salad sandwich, Italian cheese and olive sandwiches; package of potato chips; square of cake; toll house cookies; fruit; and a box of ice cream. Over 1,200 bottles of Coca-Cola were donated by that company, a fact which was greatly appreciated by the committee.

After lunch, dancing and roller skating was enjoyed by those who were not included in other sports and contests. The men's softball league took all day to run off with the Colored Folding Room taking the series by a 7 to 6 score from the Storehouse boys. Dick O'Leary refused to play, complaining the ground was too uneven, but he did a fine job in making close play decisions.

Dusk Brings Activities to a Close

So in this atmosphere of fun, frolic, sports, mountains of food, and a lake of Coca-Cola the setting sun drew the curtain on the first field day to be staged by the Bleachery players. Over \$250.00 in prizes had been given away with Edward Haskell receiving the grand prize which consisted of a chest of 12 sheets and 12 cases valued at \$23.00.

General Chairman Howard Call, his assistant, Tom Gormley, and all committees are receiving due commendation for producing such a splendid affair. So that employees may congratulate these men, we suggest you read the names on the committees: Transportation: William MacFarlane, Rosaire Vailancourt and John Simard. Food: William McCarthy, Frank Wellman and Thomas Meehan. Games: Herbert Hamilton, Richard Wells, Palmer Sadler, Joseph Gastonguay and Joseph Gorman. Prizes: J. Albert Baker and John Crowley.



Looking pretty happy over the outcome of the Field Day at Lewiston are President Howard Call, William McCarthy and Tom Gormley. These, with other committee men, did a fine job in promoting the outing.



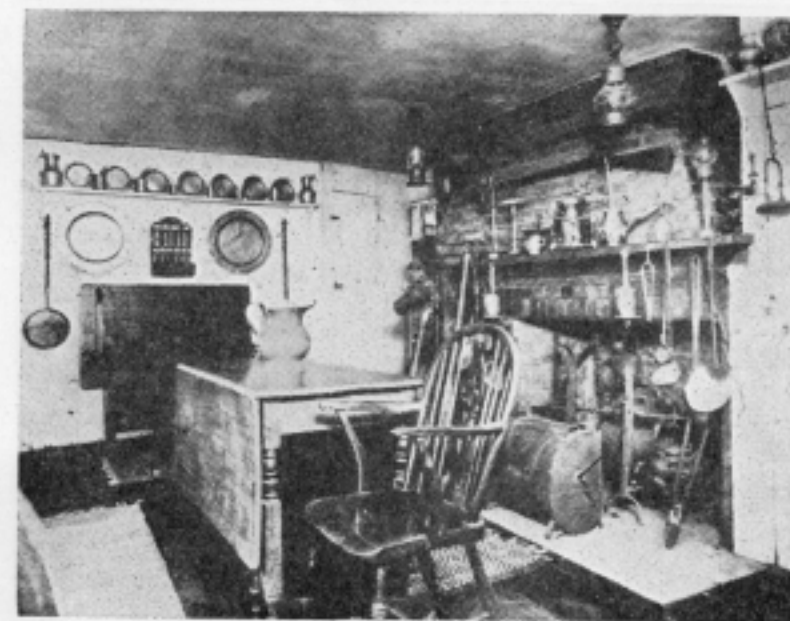
Basking in the sunshine, the usual procedure after a swim, getting another layer of tan is, left to right, Ann Zarkowsky, Frank Palmen and Teddy Cosgrove, all employed at the Lewiston bleachery.

GET YOUR VITAMINS BY EATING THE RIGHT THINGS EVERY DAY

The Clinical Department
Makes Several Suggestions

In the kind of complex society that we live in today, with automobiles, conveniences in households that were not even heard of thirty years ago, airplanes, fine roads, new kinds of clothing, and such things as radios, electric iceboxes, electric lights, running water—in a society that offers all these advantages, one of the more important things that affects people is the food that they eat, because food plays a very important part in the health of every person.

That's almost hard to believe. But compare a time when people lived in small towns, perhaps four or five hundred people in a town, say about a hundred years ago. They raised their own vegetables on their own farms, they worked out of doors to raise these vegetables. They raised their own beef and pork and lamb. They wove their own cloth, made their own clothes. They worked out of doors not because they wanted to necessarily,



In the days when this was a typical kitchen the food people ate was what they needed. Nowadays the kind of life we lead makes it necessary to watch what we eat carefully.



Chinamen discovered that the brown coating on rice was essential to prevent mouth sores. This was one of the first illustrations of how important vitamins are to good health.

but because they had to support themselves from the produce of their own farms, or of their own town.

What they ate then, they ate because they had to. There were no ways to bring in special kinds of foods from distant countries or points, without this food costing too much. Special delicacies for the table were unheard of. The people lived a more or less confined but natural life, and for that reason they didn't worry much about such things as vitamins.

Simple Foods Are Good Foods

But right now, these rather strange things called vitamins are a very important part of this new kind of life that we live. And the reason is that nowadays, people are gathered together in cities, where they have to work indoors to a great extent, where they haven't the time to farm their own lands, and if they did they wouldn't save much money. They have exchanged the simplicity of an older way of living, and they have all the modern conveniences that come with this new way of living. But, at the same time, they have had to pay a certain price for these new conveniences, such as autos, radios, and other things. And the price they have had to pay is the need to make up in what they eat, those things that they lack because of the new ways in which they live. Needless to say, no one would want to go back to the old inconveniences of living, but at the same time, everyone must realize that to live successfully at the present time requires watching, for instance, what we eat, the way a farmer used to watch the crops that he grew.

Only fairly recently has it been known that one

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of the most important things that people got from their old-time natural diets, and manner of living, was a sufficiency of the different kinds of vitamins. In a diet that isn't carefully watched today, it is easily possible to leave out the necessary vitamins, and if these vitamins aren't present, then a person can suffer from what is called a deficiency disease.

Perhaps that can be most clearly explained in this way. A long time ago, the Chinese people, who eat a great deal of rice, discovered that when the brown covering on the rice was removed, they developed mouth sores, and a rash on their bodies. They became thin, felt weak, and generally run down. When they went back to eating rice with the brown covering they got better. What made this difference? Now, it is known that the reason for this change was due to a vitamin in the brown rice covering, that supplied a necessary part of their diet, in order to keep them well and strong.

Vitamins Produce Body Energy

If vitamins are so important, just what are they? Do they help you to put on weight, or take it off? Do they help you to become stronger? Do they provide nourishment? Actually they don't do any of these things in themselves, but they do help other things such as fats, proteins, and other body building substances to act more favorably in making a person strong and well. Vitamins don't contribute any energy building material for the body, but they are positively needed for normal growth, and maintenance of health. They are a lot like sunshine. The sun's rays, in themselves, don't make you grow; they don't help you to put on weight; they don't make you stronger by themselves; but they do aid



Vitamins act very much like the sun. They help all other food that you eat to be more useful in becoming strong and healthy.

all the body building and energy foods you eat to be more useful. Well, vitamins are much the same, and each vitamin, there are of course several kinds, supplies a special kind of help in keeping well.

You can, of course, get some vitamins in certain kinds of capsules, but the most important source of them is in the food that is eaten. The natural vitamins, in milk, vegetables, meats, fruits, and many other kinds of foods are valuable and important. That is why the diet a person has, is important to help supply vitamins to make up for the ones that are in some cases missing, because of the complex way in which we live today. And that's why vitamins are necessary to keep in good health. Sometimes, for instance, when there is a lack of vitamins due to illness, then the doctor advises certain medicines to make up for the lacking vitamins, but for the most part they can best be secured by eating the right things. Often, particularly in the winter we can help by taking some extra vitamins in capsules—because we get at that time less sunshine and fewer fruits and vegetables.

What should you eat to help get the vitamins you need? If you are in normal health, all you need to do is to eat something of everything, that is, to eat a wide variety of foods, each of which will supply necessary vitamins. Such things as vegetables, both raw and cooked are important in vitamin content. Meat and fish, of course are necessary, breads and cereals, especially those which contain the whole grain as in whole wheat bread or cereal, and of course milk and eggs.

Eat a Well Balanced Diet

The important thing is to get as wide a variety of these things as possible. For instance, each meal ought to contain milk in some form, either to drink, on cereal, or in a pudding—and by all means use pasteurized milk. At lunch and supper, there ought to be green vegetables both cooked and raw, in addition to meat. Each person ought to eat some fruit each day, or a tomato, and an egg a day is highly important. Sweet things can be eaten in small quantities, and molasses or maple syrup are ideal substitutes for sugar sweets. Fruits are one of the best kinds of sweets to eat.

These are just general rules to follow, and of course in cases of illness, or special diet problems, you will want to talk with your doctor. But the important thing to realize is that at the present time, we live in a new kind of world, different from what it was a hundred years ago. For that reason it is wise to watch the things you eat. Watch them certainly as carefully as you watch for any mechanical defect in your car. Your own health is worth a lot more than an auto, and if you take as good care of yourself as you do your automobile, you'll help to keep well and strong.

FALL RIVER SOCIAL CLUB HAS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL OUTING

Here Are the Winners
of Many Events

On August 9th the Pepperell Social Club of Fall River held their annual outing at Crescent Park.

Five busses were chartered to carry the members to and from the Park. Dinner was served at 12 M., following the dinner there was a lively sport program, in which all winning participants received cash awards for their prowess.

The most notable achievement was accomplished by Rudolph LePage by winning four events, netting him a nice sum of money.

A softball game was to be played between the married men and the single men; due to the lack of players it was cancelled. The money which was to go to the winning team was donated to the ten players that put in an appearance. We believe all of them are deeply grateful to the Social Club for its generosity, (it was easy money).

The following is a list of the sports events and the winning participants. Contests were in charge of the Outing Committee Chairman, Roy Harmon.

- 1—Three-legged race for married men—Ernest Tessier and Romeo Ouelette.
- 2—Three-legged race for single men—Rudy LePage and Russ Harmon.
- 3—Three-legged race for married women—Mrs. Phyllis LePage and Mrs. Sally Sullivan.
- 4—Three-legged race for single women—Linda Costa and Isabel Mederios.
- 5—Needle & Thread race for married women—Dennage Kinnare.
- 6—Sack race for Men—Russ Harmon.
- 7—Sack race for Women—Dennage Kinnare.
- 8—Shoe race for Men—Rudy LePage.
- 9—Shoe race for Women—Phyllis LePage.
- 10—Egg & Spoon race for Women—Linda Costa.
- 11—Ball throwing for Men—Rudy LePage.
- 12—Rolling pin for Women—Linda Costa.
- 13—100-yd. dash for Men—Rudy LePage.
- 14—100-yd. dash for Women—Dennage Kinnare.
- 15—Wheelbarrow race for married Men—Louis LePage and Ernest Gagnon.



Roy Harmon, Chairman of the Annual Social Club Outing, held by the Fall River employees.

- 16—Wheelbarrow race for married Women—Phyllis LePage and Sally Sullivan.
- 17—Wheelbarrow race for single Men—Rudy LePage and Russ Harmon.
- 18—Wheelbarrow race for married Women—Linda Costa and Isabel Mederios.



The committee in charge of the Fall River Social Club Outing.

AN ALBUM OF
ACTIVITY AT THE
FALL RIVER OUTING



In assorted and appropriate poses you see standing at the extreme left Jane Berry. Standing at the extreme right, star gazing Lapoint, to the left our own demon photographer Cecil Kleeb. Henry, Kay, Lapoint, Bertha are the other fine personalities in the picture, all from Fall River.



Harold Marston, the "Swat King" and a few admirers at the Fall River Social Club Outing.



A group picture of the First Aid Graduating Class of Fall River and the teacher in the center, Miss Corkum.



Part of the Fall River First Aid party, after three strenuous ball games shown with two of the boys from Camp Edwards.

This picture shows Henry Dubois and his daughter at the recent Fall River Social Club Outing. And who are the box-seat holders in the background?



CAMP BLANDING BOYS GO TO TEXAS AND LOUISIANA ON RECENT MANOEUVRES

Company A Has Developed Some
Good Fighters



In the May issue of the Sheet, in the story of local boys at Camp Blanding, it was mentioned how they would soon go on manoeuvres which would take them to Louisiana and Texas.

Leave Camp Blanding

Orders have since been issued to pull out of Camp Blanding on Sunday, July 27th for the western hegira for intensive training. Saturday evening, or the night before the caravan was to move, the boys of the 103rd slept on the tent floors as the cots and mattresses were stored in the mess hall. Normally, this would have been a hardship, but four months of military life hardens a man and he becomes immune to such necessities.

At 3:30 on Sunday morning, the boys got up, had breakfast, and loaded their packs, supplies and equipment (which had been prepared the night before) onto the trucks. Just as the sun began to shine on the troop quarters along the shore of Lake Kingsley, the convoy of 1616 trucks began the western trek.

Given Royal Reception By Townspeople

By nightfall they arrived in Tallahassee, a distance of 191 miles. Most of the enlisted men went into the city that evening, from their camp on the outskirts of town, and were given a wonderful reception by the townspeople. Monday morning they "broke tents" at 4:30, had breakfast and pulled out at six o'clock. That day they traveled 189 miles and stopped overnight at Milton, Fla., where they again were given a royal reception and treated like kings.

At the stroke of six the following morning the convoy was rolling again and went as far as Gulfport, Mississippi. Wednesday night found them at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and rather tired from the somewhat cramped condition in riding, but all took it good naturedly because it was a new experience. Thursday, they reached their destination at Ragley, La., after travelling 850 miles from Blanding.

Tenting On the New Camp Ground

In a large field covering several acres, the tents were again pitched, supplies and equipment arranged according to traditional army style, and the boys settled down to make this location their home for a while. To see all these tents erected in a perfectly straight line on imaginary streets is a view to behold. Guns properly stacked, trucks in perfect array, blankets and personal belongings neatly placed; all arranged to pass inspection by the officers.

Perhaps the most impressive view comes with the setting sun, for under the clear Louisiana night sky, camp fires are burning in front of the tents. Around these fires, the men congregate and sing to their hearts content. Songs chosen vary from the yodeling cowboy type to light opera and the boys tell us that most of it is pretty light. Nearly every evening, the band gives a concert to cheer up the boys and in ten minutes they all feel like new men.

Daily Program Is Busy One

The boys are active in several kinds of sports but boxing and wrestling matches predominate. Company A of Biddeford has developed a number of good men on the mat and with the gloves, and is highly recognized in this respect by the remainder of the 103rd Infantry.

During the day the men are kept busy with their drills, practices and staging manoeuvres as if in actual warfare. They are also building roads, constructing bridges and getting them in trim for the word to "move up." So it goes with these men who are doing their part in this great and serious business of National Defense.

**ROY SNOW APPOINTED
ASSISTANT OVERSEER
AT BIDDEFORD**

HE'S AN AMATEUR RADIO FAN



Roy Snow, who for the past 20 years has been employed in textile mills in Nashua, N. H., has accepted the position of Assistant Overseer of Weaving and Slashing in the Sheeting Division at Biddeford. Mr. Snow began his new duties on August 11th.

Attended Lowell Textile School

Mr. Snow was born in Nashua, received his schooling there and for five years attended Lowell Textile night school. While attending Lowell Textile, he was gaining practical experience in the weave rooms of the Jackson Mills, Division of the Nashua Mfg. Co. While attending the school, he pursued a three-year course of designing, one year of Dobby and Jacquard weaving and one year of cotton weaving.

Has Had Practical Textile Experience

His knowledge and understanding of the weaving and slashing processes came from study and actual experience, for his first job in the weave rooms was as a bobbin boy. Starting at the bottom rung of the ladder, he worked his way up to be in charge of all loomfixing for several years, before being promoted to Second Hand, the position he held before coming to Pepperell.

Roy is married, has two children and will move his family here as soon as he can find accommoda-

tions. A year ago, he moved into the new seven room home which he built in Nashua.

A Radio Ham

Like many other Pepperell employees, he too has a hobby; that of operating an amateur radio station. His call letters are W1AFD and he has held a license from the government for 14 years. He was the first president of the Nashua Mike and Key Club which, at the time it was formed in 1936, had 50 members, but has since more than doubled its membership.

Sole Means of Communication

Hardly had the club been formed when the flood took place and the club station was the sole means of communication to the outside world. The station was set up in a garage with a Diesel engine used to supply power to the generator. This group of amateur radio hams took their turns at the mike and handled several hundred messages for individuals, the Red Cross, city officials and the Governor. Later Governor Bridges sent a letter to Mr. Snow commending the club on the prompt and efficient service which they rendered to the state.

Our Welcome To Him Is Sincere

Two years later, they again were called into service from the effects of the hurricane. They immediately got in touch with the Army base at Boston and materially aided the city and state in that disaster.

Roy is a former member of the U. S. Naval Reserve and served a four year period. He is also a member of several fraternal organizations. The Sheet takes this opportunity in welcoming him into his new job and to the great Pepperell family.



Edward Haskell (left) employed in the machine shop at Lewiston, receives from President Howard Call, a chest of 12 sheets and 12 cases as the "gilt edge" prize of the day. Howard was pleased to present it and Eddy was very pleased to be on the receiving end.

YOUR KITCHEN RANGE WILL THANK YOU WELL FOR SAVING GAS

What Is Saved Now Will
Be Heat Next Winter

We have heard a lot of late about the so called "curfew" plan on the restriction of gasoline consumption. Secretary of the Interior, Harold L. Ickes, who is also the petroleum coordinator for national defense, made a request for all filling stations to close 12 hours out of each twenty-four. Though this was only a request, virtually every gasoline distributing agency has complied with the request.

Plenty of Gas—Lack of Transportation

There is no shortage of oil in the United States but the trouble lies in transportation facilities. The Eastern Seaboard consumes 1,200,000 barrels of petroleum products each day which represents 36% of all motor fuel, 46% of all light fuels and 64% of all kerosene in the United States. We have been receiving this supply by 267 ocean tankers, but recently 50 of these have been transferred to the British and somewhere between 50 and 100 more are in the process of transfer.

To make up for this deficiency, the oil companies must ship around 500,000 barrels a day of petroleum products, by train and motor truck at freight rates, which run as high as \$1.92 a barrel more than the cost of ocean or tanker transportation. This is the principal cause for a possible price increase per gallon on gasoline to be paid by the motorist.

Example of War Consumption

Present day methods of warfare call for a tremendous amount of gasoline to operate the machinery to make war equipment. Then too, the mechanized units on the battle front consume thousands of gallons an hour. As a simple example, a bomber plane uses about 100 gallons an hour and a large tank consumes 25 gallons a mile. That is why this country has, and is, transferring ocean tankers to supply this demand for gas.

It is possible that very soon, convoys of petroleum tank trucks carrying 8,000 to 10,000 gallons will roll over the highways from the Middle West to the East. Another step toward solution of supply is a long pipe line from East Texas to New York.

Housewife Affected By New Plan

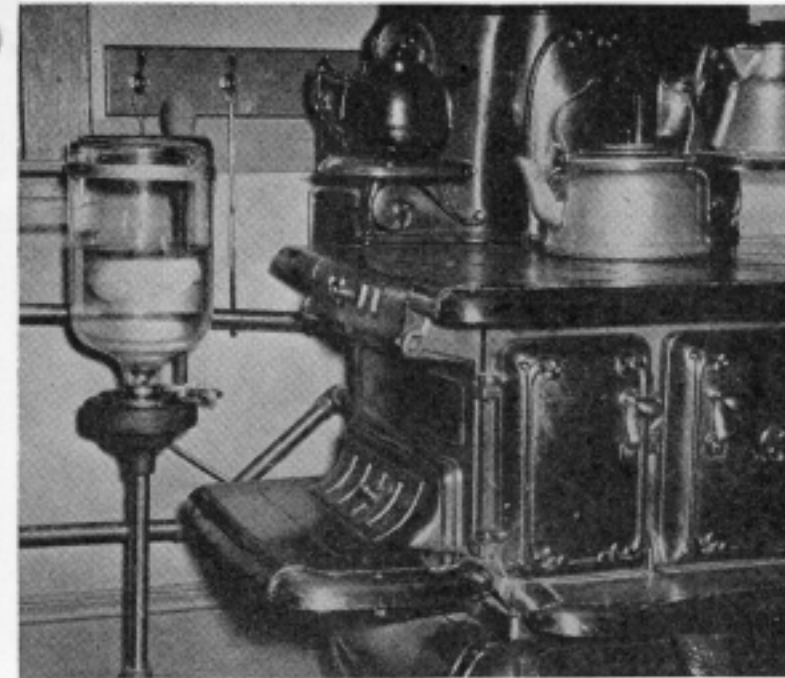
All the suggestions that have been made about saving gasoline aren't nearly so much for the purpose of saving gasoline, as they are for making it possible to get enough fuel oil, and cooking oil for the coming winter.

Not only is the motorist affected but the landlord and the housewife. Families who burn range oil in their kitchen stove or furnace oil in their heater are asked to conserve as much as possible.

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Howard Lee, right, who sells typewriters to Pepperell's Maine Mills, has purchased only five gallons of "petrol" from station attendant, Leo Callahan, a former employee. The government asks every driver to purchase 1/3 less gas and not to exceed 40 miles per hour.



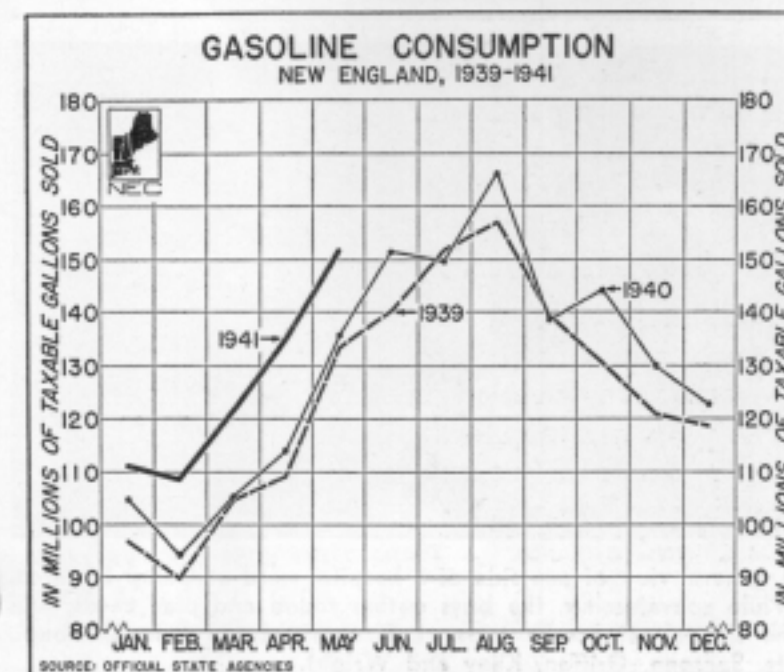
The average American family kitchen has a scene similar to this. Normally full, the oil bottle here is one-half full, reminding the housewife to cooperate with the government request to conserve on it.

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It has already been suggested that home owners keep the temperature of their homes down to 65 degrees during the coming winter. Many doctors will sanction this for they claim that the average American keeps his home too warm for good health.

Government Asks Everyone To Cooperate

There is plenty of oil in the Nation but too many people haven't realized the gravity of the general situation and won't do so until they fully understand why the present "curfew" is in effect. The main reason is lack of transportation and until this has been overcome, we may have to subject ourselves to sacrifices.



FALL RIVER FIRST AID CLASS TOURS

TERRIFIC BALL GAME PLAYED

The Misses Corkum and Sullivan who have done a lot of good for the people of Fall River. They took their First Aid Class on a tour of the Cape, and you can read all about it right below.



On Saturday, July 12, Miss Corkum of the Fall River mill took her First Aid Class on a beach party. The first stop was at the White Rabbit, on the road to the Cape, where arrangements had been made for dinner. After dinner the party, in three cars, continued to Falmouth, where they visited the Pepperell Shop and then on to Falmouth Beach where the hardy ones went swimming.

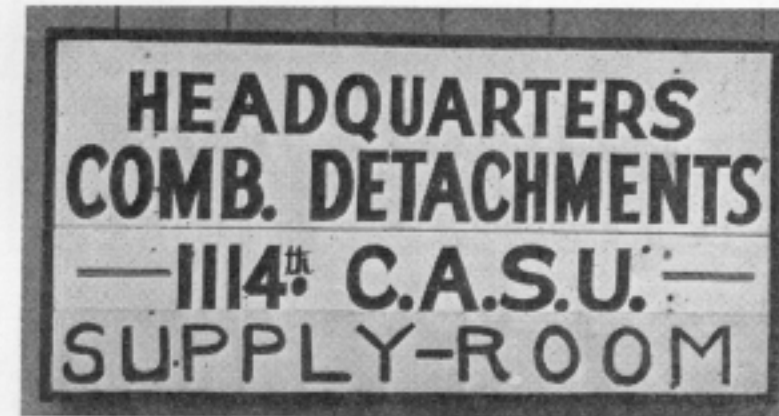
Later a ball game was played but as yet it has not been decided which side won, or whether the game was played with softball regulations, baseball or football. The only thing certain is that it was the only ball game of its kind ever played.

On the return trip the party stopped over for a while at Camp Edwards in Falmouth, and then returned home, happy but weary.

BEG YOUR PARDON, JOHN

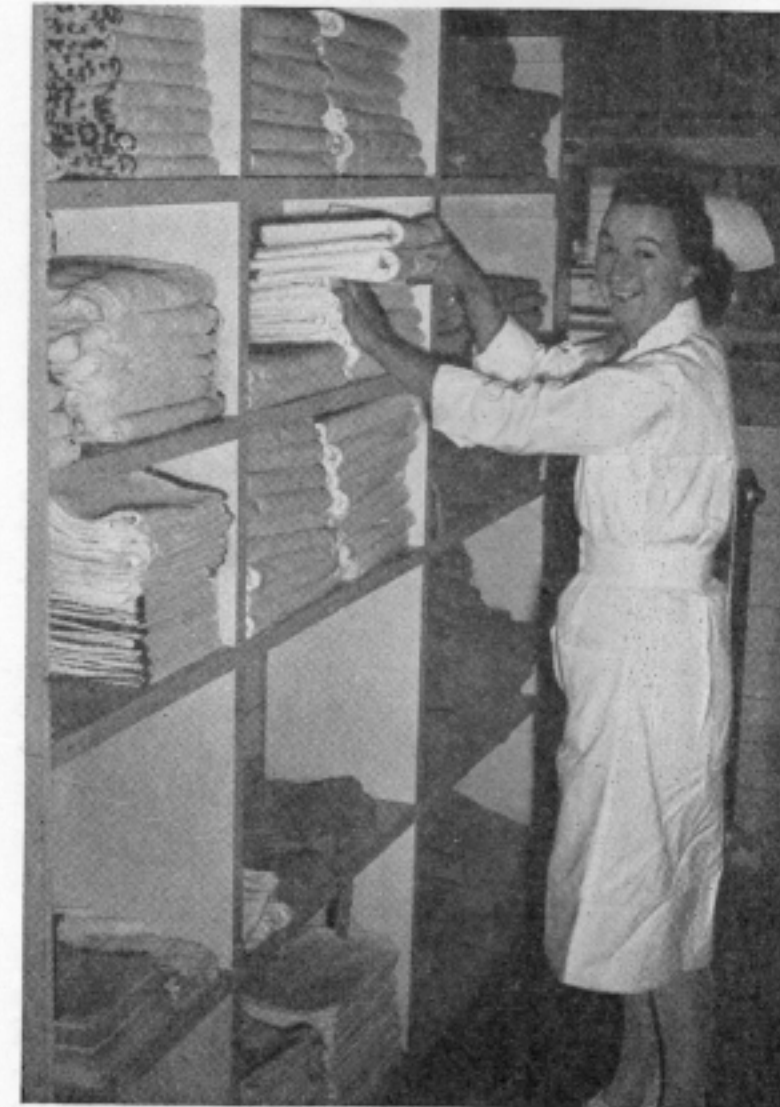
In the last issue of the Sheet, the biography of Overseer Hector Poitras included in his inventions one known as the "overhead cam." The original idea is credited to John N. Moeckel, Designer, but Mr. Poitras was instrumental in getting the attachment into actual operation.

THIS IS WHERE THE SHEETS FOR THE ARMY GO, AND THIS IS HOW THEY'RE USED



Supply Room signs somewhat like the one shown above are posted on hundreds of Army camp buildings in all sections of the country. They mark the place where, once a week the soldiers get their issue of two sheets and a pillow case—and they show what has happened to the million and a half sheets that the Biddeford mill has made.

Not only are the sheets used in the barracks, but they are also used in the hospitals, as you can see by the photo on the front cover, and the others on this page. However, in the hospital the sheets are changed each day, rather than once a week, so the wear they get is pretty tough. A 1,200 bed hospital, for instance, needs 2,400 clean sheets each morning.



Probably the largest hospital in New England is at Camp Edwards, for it has 1,200 beds. Each ward has a supply room similar to this. Miss Arlene Kearney, who has two brothers, Emmett and Charles, at the Biddeford Plant, is the nurse of this ward.



At Camp Edwards, Sgt. Lawrence F. Roby (left) is handing Pvt. Howard B. Moat a supply of clean bed linen. Every week each man turns in two sheets and one pillow case and receives a clean set.



A general view of one side of a hospital ward at Camp Edwards. While convalescing, the boys gather round and play cards, and the sheets get severe tests. Left to right are Pvs. DiMondi, Srs. Sansone, Griffon, Kiley and Wright.

PRIVATE PAQUIN LIKES HONOLULU

AND NO WONDER!

This excellent likeness of Private Aime Paquin was taken after he had been in the army only two months. Read his interesting story below, direct from Honolulu.



On October 4, 1940, Amie Paquin left all his friends at Pepperell's Fall River mill, where he had been employed for 4 years as a weaver in the Rayon Department, and enlisted in the 64th Coast Artillery. He was stationed at Fort Shafter in Honolulu. Because Amie was born and educated in Fall River, his many Pepperell friends wondered how he would enjoy life in the Hawaiian Islands.

Here are a few facts this reporter found. There is no twilight in the Hawaiian Islands as we have here. It grows dark quickly and in the morning the sun rises just as quickly.

The climate is ideal, no extremes and Amie claims it is a real paradise. Some of the pictures he has sent back seem to prove this point, although it is now only for entertainment that the girls dress in costumes.

Gardenias Common As Roses

Gardenias are common there and can be bought for 5 and 10 cents, even the larger blossoms. One interesting plant is the Cereus, a beautiful large, white blossom that blooms at night. To really enjoy it it has to be seen at midnight, because during the day one sees only buds. Each blossom blooms once and then dies.

Evidently the swimming pools are not like the ones at home as Amie tells of coconut palms and



Aime Paquin, formerly of Fall River, says that there is very little of this dancing done today except by paid entertainers.

date palms being around them and of looking out onto the Pacific.

After spending 7 months at Fort Shafter Private Paquin has been transferred to the Guard Detachment, Fort Armstrong, Honolulu.

Amie's Dad is a loom fixer in B. Weave Room at Fall River.



This native girl chose a palm tree for the background against which she posed. Private Paquin tells about them.

THIS IS HOW SHEETING GETS THE FINISHING TOUCH

The Bleachery Processes Fully
Described

During the summer of 1775, there was heard throughout the length and breadth of New England, the "thwack-thwack" of the hand looms as the patriotic women wove the cloth for Washington's army.

The materials which were not dyed were generally bleached by a slow tedious process. Sour milk was first used and then the cloth was steeped in waste lye. For a week after, boiling hot potash lye was poured over it after which it was taken out and washed, then put into wooden vats of buttermilk, where it was allowed to remain under pressure for five or six days. Finally it was spread on the grass and left to bleach under the sun.

Chlorine Accidentally Discovered

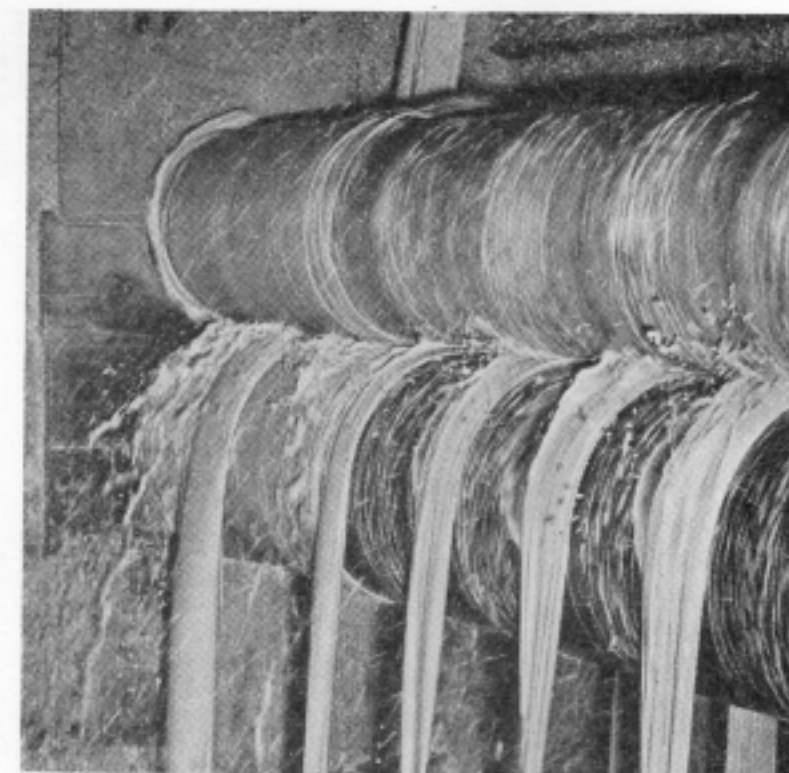
This method often required six to eight months to complete the bleaching process. Gradually various improvements were made in the bleaching process. Dr. Francis Home discovered the value of sulphuric acid as a substitute for sour milk in the scouring process. The value of chlorine as a bleaching agent was discovered in 1774 by C. W. Sheele, the Swedish chemist. It was an accidental discovery for he noticed that the cork of the bottle which contained the chlorine had been bleached by the chemical action.

Rope of Cloth Weighs Five Tons

At our modern bleachery at Lewiston, the methods have been completely revised. Cloth coming from the mills is sewed together in one continuous strip of 12,000 yards or more which weigh at least five tons. It is passed over a gas jet to remove the fuzz and then takes the form of a rope and receives several immersions in milk of lime, for it has the property of forming a soap with the natural cotton fats and waxes and starch to make their removal easier.

Some Wash Boiler!

Imagine a cylindrical shaped wash boiler 15 feet high and 9 feet wide which is called a kier. The rope of cloth is sent to the kier where it is boiled for approximately 15 hours under pressure. The



A close-up view of the cloth, in rope form, being immersed in milk of lime to form a soap to remove natural fats and waxes from the cloth. The bleachery uses an average of 4 1/4 tons of lime a week in this operation.

cloth is washed and run through a weak bath of sulphuric acid to remove the milk of lime and lime soaps which were formed. Again it is washed and the rope returns to the kiers for a 15 hour boiling in a soda ash solution and washed again.

Chlorine Is the Bleaching Agent

Now we have thoroughly cleansed the cloth with the next step to bleach it to a snowy white characteristic of bed linen. The rope is passed through a chlorine bath to bleach it and again washed. To be sure the chlorine is removed, the rope is led into a weak solution of sulphuric acid and again washed. It is easily understandable why 9300 gallons of water a minute is used at the bleachery.

Cloth Is Wet for Four Days

From now on, we lose our rope of cloth for it is opened to full width and run through both a water and starch mangle, then through an electric eye for straightening operation. For four days, the cloth has been wet and now it is time to dry it by passing it over a series of copper cans filled with steam.

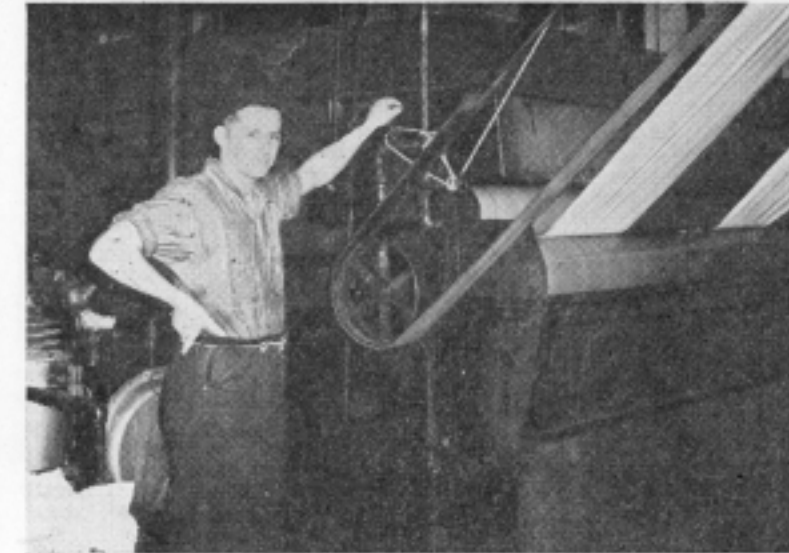
Our fabric is then rolled on beams in approximately 1000 yard cuts for easy handling. These are the major steps in bleaching but after this the cloth is sent to the calendars where the desired finish is obtained, twice inspected, torn in proper length, hemmed, ironed, labelled, packed and of course inspected after each operation. (These operations will be described in a later issue).

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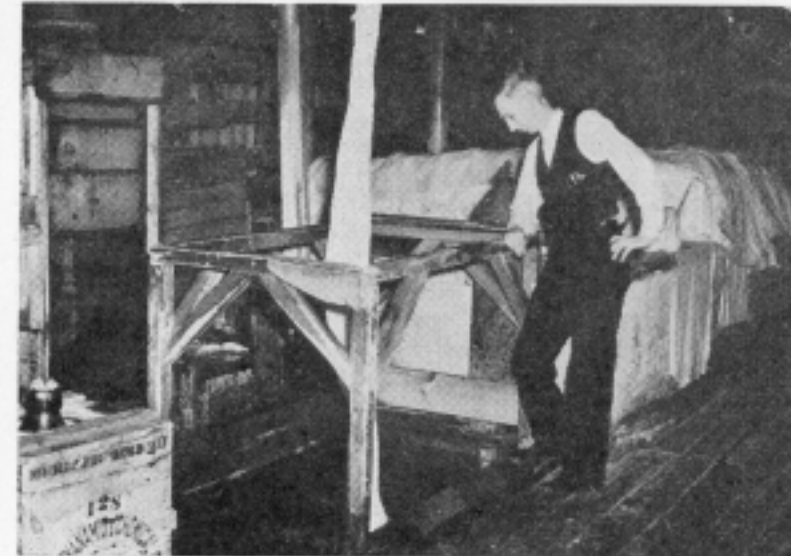
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Bleaching Process at a Glance

Cloth arrives from mills and is sewed onto continuous strips of 12,000 yards or more.
Passed over gas jet to remove fuzz.
Immersed in milk of lime.
Boiled in kiers.
Washed.
Run through weak bath of sulphuric acid.
Washed.
Boiled in soda ash solution.
Washed.
Passed through chlorine bath.
Washed.
Cloth rope led into weak solution of sulphuric acid.
Washed.
Run through both water and starch mangle.
Dried.



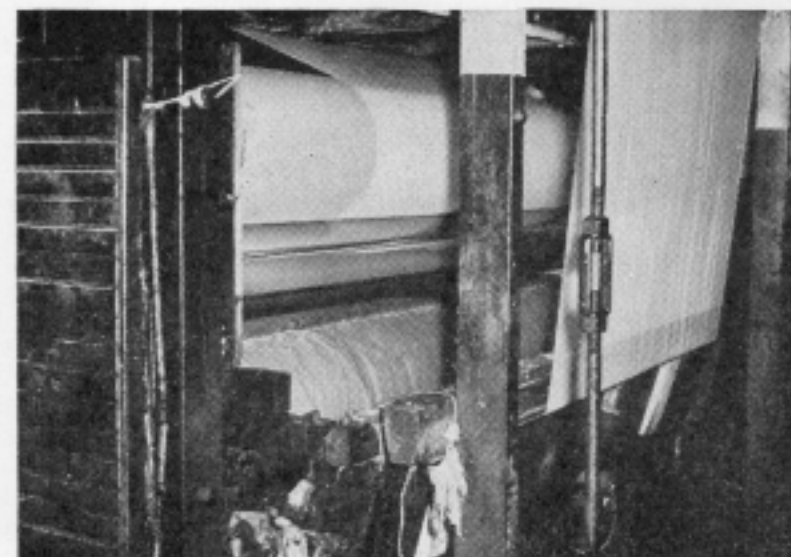
Cloth from the mills is received at the bleachery and put through this machine where a flame from a gas jet removes the fuzz. The cloth is then plunged into water and squeezed between the rolls shown in the picture. Frank Dudzie is operator of the singer.



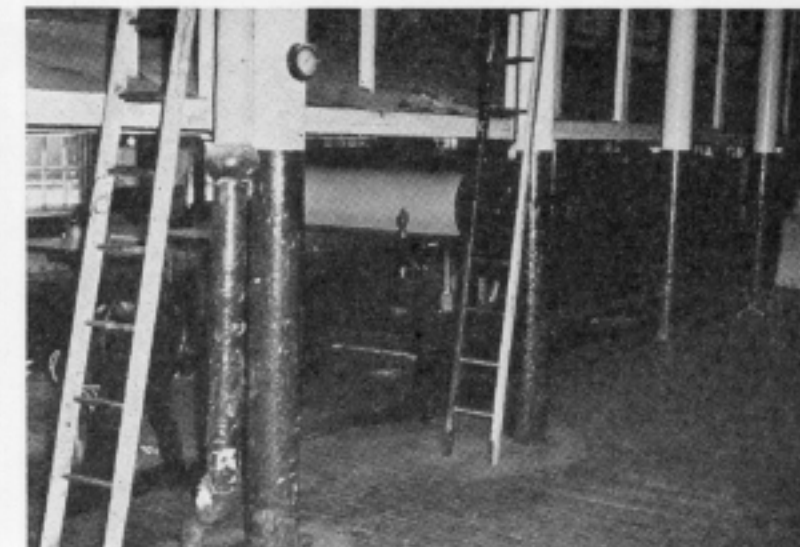
Running the rope through a weak solution of sulphuric acid to receive the milk of lime and lime soaps. Second hand Orsen Holdridge looks down into the bath, where 1,000 gallons of concentrated sulphuric acid is used each week. The acid is diluted to 12 parts water and one part sulphuric acid.



After every operation the cloth is washed over rollers in a downpour of water—a miniature Niagara Falls. Over 9,300 gallons of water is used each minute and every drop of this has been thoroughly filtered. Zou Lanze is watching the cloth receive its final wash.



After the cloth has been bleached and washed, it is run through both water and starch mangle, as shown in the picture. This view shows the cloth running through the mangle at about 96 yards a minute, or over 40,000 yards a day.



The fabric is now run through an electric eye for straightening and then over these 36 copper cans filled with steam to dry the cloth, for it had been wet four days. Lady Pepperell Sheet- ing is cut to about 900 yard rolls, but quantity depends on weight of cloth.

WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, *Editor-in-Chief*

BLANKET NAPPING ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTER: *Joe Downs.*

¶ Mr. Jones, our second hand on the second shift, is back to work after an illness of several weeks.

¶ Webb Goodwin, who has worked in the napping room for quite a few years, has left us recently to accept a new position. Wish you luck, Webb.

¶ Albert Dorais, known to us as "Sonnyboy" has been out of work for some time due to an injury to his hand suffered while working. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery, Sonny.

¶ We have been wondering as to what kind of religion "Pop-eye" Martel has, because his Sabbath day falls on Monday, so it seems.

¶ Charlie is a frequent visitor to Boston. What's up there that is so interesting?

¶ What's this we hear about the fellow on the second shift who wants to see the Biddeford Airport in the moonlight. We wonder why he prefers that Airport and why at moonlight. Probably it's because she works so late.

¶ Tony said he was a good boy because he stayed home and didn't spend his bonus money. We suspect it's because his wife got hold of it before he had the chance.

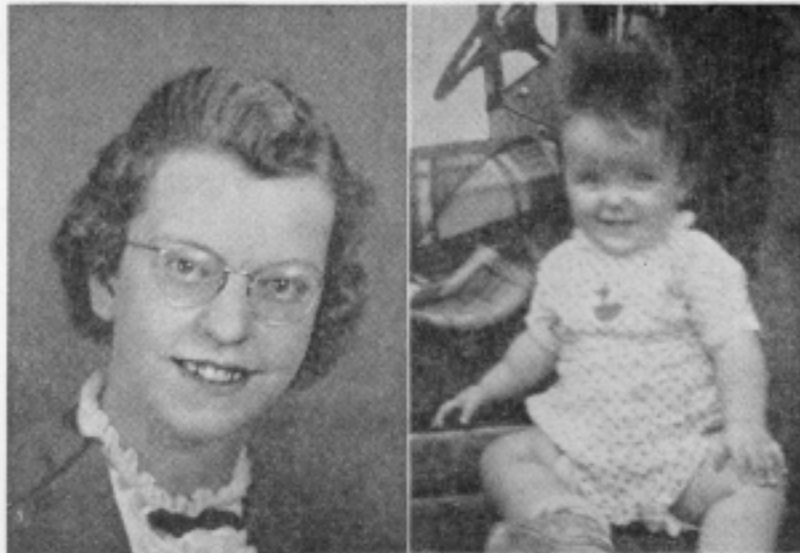
¶ John will have to be more careful now when he is running to a fire, as someone is a good shot with the chemical fire extinguisher. He got it squirted in his eyes at the last fire. It must have been awful painful.

¶ Alphonse is still trying to grow a mustache. How long have you been at it now, about two years? Keep trying and you're bound to succeed.

¶ The boys are going to miss Priscilla when they don't see her flying around checking on the blankets. She has taken a new job in the blanket office. Her successor will be Betty Mantis. She will be a little harder to see, but we're sure she is capable of doing the job.



Employees at the bleachery outing took full advantage of the free amusements, especially these water sleds. This view shows a young lady and her escort landing in the water—a quick way to get wet fast.



Mrs. Leon Yeaton, weave room 6-3 at Biddeford and her one-year old daughter, Constance Jean. Mrs. Yeaton is substituting for Mrs. Deans.

BLANKET WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTER: *Ernest Guilmette.*

¶ Another of our young men has been called by Uncle Sam. Hervey Cookson, a weaver on the third shift. Well, best of luck to you, Hervey.

¶ Oh, Renald. Some of us are wondering what was the big attraction at South Portland two nights in a row.

¶ Emile Boisvert, our second hand on the second shift, enjoyed a week's vacation visiting in New York and New Jersey.

¶ Evelyn Jean is out on leave of absence for two months.

¶ We extend our deepest sympathy to Gabrielle Menier, in her recent bereavement.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Alcide Blanchette are the proud parents of a little boy. Alcide is a weaver on the second shift, while his wife is a former battery hand.

¶ Best of luck to Henry Vaillancourt who has been promoted from weaver to loomfixer learner.

¶ Philias Pinette is quite a baseball fan. He especially likes to go to Portland to see games. We heard you had a bad burn Philias, better watch out, it might be fatal.

¶ Kern Noland, a weaver on the third shift, has resigned to return South. His home is in Swannanoa, N. C.

¶ Mrs. Howard and daughter went to Niagara Falls, to the Convention of the Order of Scotch Clan and spent the last week of June there. The first week of July they spent with Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bennie at Moosehead Lake.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bouffard visited in Montreal, Canada, with Mr. and Mrs. William Fortier. Mr. Bouffard is a weaver on the second shift on the towel looms.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Dorothy Adjutant, Antoinette Hannah, Helen Economos, Phyllis Cote, Mary Goldthwaite.*

¶ Candide Desrosiers, Patricia Lessard and Lucille Noyer are the new girls to join the working force on the second shift.

¶ Lucienne Lavallee was absent from work recently due to illness in the family.

¶ We extend our sincere sympathy to Napoleon Ruel and family on the loss of his mother.

¶ It's a little strange here without Pearl, most of us had worked with her a long time. We all wish you the best of luck in your new home.

¶ Helen Economos is leaving the cloth room to marry and will make her home in Concord, N. H. Helen has been one of us for some time and we shall miss her but we wish her the best of everything in her new life.

¶ Donald Freeland was a visitor in Vermont over a recent week end.

¶ Rose Whitten was a visitor in Portland recently.

TOWEL CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Natalie Keene, Laurence Beaudette.

¶ Hello Folks. This is your former reporter back on the job again, bringing you choice bits of news about yourselves and your friends. To begin with I enjoyed my brief vacation from the duties of preparing a proper account of our monthly doings and I am sure that you enjoyed Nat's commentaries. My first duty is to deny the assertion that my colleague made in the last issue, concerning my escapades on the Old Orchard pier. It is true that I have frequented the pier and it is true that I have viewed the open air movies, but do vehemently deny the assertion that I am a jitter-bug. Perish the thought.

¶ Several of the girls in this dept. went on a shore dinner at the Cascades recently and from the stories floating about the room, we wonder how they managed to return home in time for work. Marybelle "Me too" Pelchat and Charlene "One and a half" Tibbetts kept the party in a jovial mood as did Nat, Joe and Ruth.

¶ We welcome the following new employees into our happy family and hope that they will be with us for a long while: Laurence Legarde, Pauline Huntress, Rita Martin and Theresa Grenier.

¶ When the Saco fire whistle blows, our Charlene drops whatever she is doing and runs screaming after the big red trucks. It's all right boys, her husband is a fireman.

¶ Pauline Boutet is helping her aunt in managing her hotel at the beach. Keep it up Pauline and who knows but some time you may even manage a 2,000-room hotel for unemployed brick throwers. A window-less building of course.

¶ Nat Keene has been attending the summer theatres quite regularly this year with Mr. Archie Droggitis. Perhaps they are looking over talent for the fall season at the local Wonder Bar. Not a bad idea. Imagine a two act play starring Anva Stev, Buddy Ebsen, Karen Van Ryan with Nat as the local girl getting her first break in big time.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Rose Bouthot, Catherine Bizantakos.

¶ *We Missed You* . . . Emile Boissonneault enjoyed a week's vacation resting at home. It's a good way to spend a vacation Emile, when you need a rest.

¶ *Ring Dem Bells* . . . Laurette Hamel is displaying the latest crystallized carbon . . . or . . . to be explicit, a diamond engagement ring. I don't think Adrien L'Heureux would want his name in the *Sheet* so I won't mention anything about him being the lucky guy.

¶ *Is She Happy!* . . . Folks are wondering who the six footer is that is being seen everywhere with Mary Laliberte, lately. From the look in their eyes, it must be love.



This is the attractive little cottage at Ferry Beach owned by Mrs. Delphine Nadeau, a room girl on the towel looms at Biddeford.



Ready for a swim is this young lady. She is Cecile Bosse of the Lewiston sheet factory. Cecile celebrated her 23d birthday on August 8th and received many gifts, among them a spanking from her fellow workers.

¶ *Take Care of Yourself Now* . . . Diana Lamontagne has left this department for a while. We'll be looking forward to seeing you back soon, Diana.

¶ *Has the Love-Bug Bitten Him?* . . . I was asked by a friend if I would let you folks in on this: A certain boy walked seven miles to see a girl! It was too good to pass up seeing that the boy was Herbert "Glamour P." Sears. That isn't all, folks. He even went so far as to buy her a box of chocolates (2 lbs.). Can you beat that? Climax: When he got there the chocolates were all melted.

¶ *Boarders Wanted* . . . We wish Gertrude Johnson luck in her new work, taking on boarders. We will all miss you Gertrude and hope you will like it.

¶ *See You in a Month* . . . Edith Perkins is out on a month's leave of absence. The place isn't the same without you Edith, so hurry back.

¶ *It's an Eight-Pound Halfback* . . . Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lionel St. Louis who are the proud parents of a baby boy born Aug. 14. Keep your eye on Lionel, boys, he might have a cigar for you.

¶ *Stop Kicking Eva* . . . It seems that Eva Morris was at a certain place one day and was pointed out as "Two Gun Eva"; it must really be the name that has made Eva so famous, although she doesn't realize it now. We'd better watch our steps, because if she gets really peeved she'll really use those guns.

¶ *Nice of Her, Eh What?* . . . Rose Lavoie visited in Pawtucket, R. I., for two weeks. She had quite a time and even surprised her husband by buying him cigars.

¶ *Lucky Girl* . . . Clarinthe LeMire spent her week's vacation at Sebago Lake. Knowing that they own a boat, we know she had quite a time!

¶ *Glad You're Back* . . . We were glad to see our overseer, Francis Spencer, after he came back from his two weeks' vacation. Frank is having a home built and from the looks of things, it's going to be quite a place.

¶ *It Was Fun While It Lasted* . . . Rose Gregoire recently spent the week end in Bridgewater, Mass. She might have been tired when she got back, but it was worth it.

SHEETING CARDING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Leblond, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook, Emelin Morin.

¶ After being out a week with sickness, L. Soucy of 2-3B is back at work and is feeling fine.

¶ We congratulate John Clark, former boss grinder on 2nd shift, on his promotion to second hand on the 3rd shift.

¶ M. Neault of room 2-3B has recently moved from Saco, Me., to Biddeford, Me., amongst her old friends.

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Isabel Mederros of Fall River, snapped at the First Aid Outing, held at Fal-mouth, Mass.

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¶ We of the 3rd shift are glad to see second hand George Gendron ride along in his 1940 Plymouth.
¶ We are glad to see John Patterson of 2-3B visiting places on week ends with his "Pontiac".
¶ John Lee, Sr., has been visiting relatives in Fall River during the past week.
¶ Joe Cook has been practicing a new routine for the Fall season.
¶ Mrs. Annabelle Walton, Mrs. Mary Roy and Mrs. Evelyn Danis have been transferred to the second shift.
¶ Mr. Charles Lavigne is very busy these days; he has to lug his tools with him to save time.
¶ Mr. Oliver Cantara has a very lovely garden but it took a lot of work because of the lack of rain.
¶ Mr. Henry Lahait attended a beautiful wedding (his daughter's) at the Palmer House at Old Orchard Beach. He said he would have liked to be the groom.
¶ Paul Larose and wife went to C Bar C Ranch and they had a good time, according to his version of it.
¶ Aurore St. Ours was operated on for tonsils recently.
¶ Mrs. Evelyn Danis was out sick a week with the grippe; Mrs. Garon was out with an ear ache; Lorraine Soucy was out with appendicitis; Marguerite Neault was in the hospital for ear treatment.
¶ We have a new card tender, Mr. Louis Dionne, from Dover.
¶ Romeo Frappier, our grinder in 2-2C is becoming popular. His picture appeared in the Portland Press Herald. Next time don't look so sad, Romeo.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neault, Mr. Maurice Thompson and Miss Rita White recently motored to Boston for a week-end trip.

MECHANICAL DEPT. — Biddeford

¶ Robert Townsend has been transferred from the Machine Shop to the Pipe Shop and on the third shift.
¶ George Houde of the Sanitation Department is at the Soldier's Hospital at Togus for observation.
¶ George Washington Martin, Jr., wears his glasses to bed so that he can see better in his dreams.
¶ James Williams forgot about the 7 o'clock curfew on gas and had to walk home from Kennebunkport.
¶ John Watson spent a recent week end in Boston. He says it was only a reconnaissance visit.
¶ We congratulate Harley Johnson, electrician, on the purchase of the "Red Shutter Inn" on Beach Street, Saco.
¶ Joseph Verrier, former machinist at the Ford garage, is now machinist at the mill.

¶ Ken Foss is teaching his son to shine shoes so that he can make hay while his son shines.
¶ George Cooper, piper, has moved his family from Brooklyn, N. Y.
¶ Fred Grace picked his weight in blueberries several weeks ago at the Heath.
¶ Harry Smith had a touch of poison ivy and Clarence Williams wonders if Harry got where he did last year.
¶ Earl Boothby says his favorite comic strip is Tillie and Mac.
¶ Who is the electrician so popular with the girls in 22-B, and who brings them boiled lobsters?
¶ Francis Belanger, Carpenter, has been absent for over eight weeks due to illness. We hope to have you back with us soon, Frank.
¶ Preston Merrill and Ralph Gilman, pipers, are thinking of getting a permanent if they can do a little trading first.
¶ William Leighton is a frequent traveler on the Kennebunk Highway, stopping at the White House Inn.
¶ Roy Hirst, the mayor of Half Way, turned fire chief at the Old Orchard fire recently.
¶ Aldorien Belisle, machinist, was seen trying to fix cars at a local junk yard. Don't worry Albert, that man needs a magician not a machinist, to make those cars run.
¶ Clarence Williams' theme song to the heating system, "Goodbye Dear, I'll Be Back in a Year."
¶ Louis Doucette, Carpenter, has made a medicine chest strong enough to hold the favorite cure-all for ailments.

SHEETING WEAVING — Biddeford

REPORTERS: Alice McDowell, John Trembly, Anna Bergeron, William Thompson.
¶ Mr. Camille Garon, our second hand on the second shift, is back after enjoying a week's vacation. He reports a wonderful time.
¶ Mr. James Gallant, cleaner in 5-3, has bought a car, and if at some time in the near future you should see a car coming down Main Street and you can't see the driver, well, don't be alarmed, Mr. Gallant will be behind the wheel.
¶ Mr. George Currier, cleaner in 10-2, should be back to work by the time he reads this. We all hope you are feeling fine after your recent operation.
¶ Mr. Leo Grenier, cleaner in 8-2, was out a few days due to an accident.
¶ Mr. Montembeau, weaver in 13-1 third shift, with his two sons who work in the conditioning room, have recently returned from Canada where they spent a week's vacation.
¶ Mr. Paquin, cleaner in 8-3, spent a week's vacation with his family. They too, went to Canada.
¶ Well folks, got your bonus all spent? P.S. I have.
¶ We understand Miss Yvonne Neault, battery hand in 5-3, is planning to move to Portsmouth, N. H. We wish you luck there, if you go Yvonne.
¶ We understand from good authority that the person who claimed the champion potato digger was here in Pepperell, is in the main office. He also is the rightful owner to that title, "So We Understand".

Views Moon on Foggy Night

¶ What well known young man in the time study dept. recently walked down to Bay View House to see the full moon?
¶ It has been rumored that a certain young man in the sheeting weave room office better not go to Boston without first buying sufficient gas to beat the 7 P.M. curfew.
¶ Marcel Morin, cleaner in 8-3, has left for a position in the shoe shop. Good luck to you, Marcel.
¶ Mr. Caron, cleaner in 9-2, has been given a cut boy's job on the first shift.
¶ Mr. P. Bouthillette, cleaner in 8-1, visited C Bar C Ranch, North Windham. He won a prize, too, and what a coincidence, it was a clown.
¶ Miss Mary Jane Normand, battery hand in 8-2, was married August 16 to Marcel Ross. Congratulations Mary Jane.
¶ Mr. King, cleaner in 10-2 second shift, is making eyes at a battery hand whose initials are R.L.G.

WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

H. A. TRUSLOW, *Fall River Editor*

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

REPORTER: *Rudy LePage*

¶ Congratulations go to Mr. Durand this month on his recent promotion. He is now working in the Machine Shop. The first few days he worked in the Shop, he looked as though he worked with Tom R. We wonder why??? Well, anyway, the best of luck to you, Mr. Durand.

¶ All those who went to the Pepperell outing really had a great time. Thomas Fitzgerald had a very good time. If you don't think so just ask him how he felt the following day. Eh Fitz???

¶ Roy MacDonald must have been a boy scout when he was a youngster, as it is the custom for a scout to do a good deed a day. Well! he certainly lived up to that custom at the outing. Upon his introduction to Miss Anita D (A cute little Miss too) he made up his mind to escort her around the park so she wouldn't get lost. This he did in fine fashion. Who wouldn't, eh Roy?

¶ Harold Marston also had a fine time at the outing. plenty to eat, and plenty to d....., he said. You are probably right there Harold. We wonder why you forgot to tip the waiter. P.S. (He later tipped the waiter.)

¶ Jimmy Marum was recently hurt in an auto accident, and has been out some time. We will be glad to see you back, Jim.

¶ Ernest Walker has a new hobby. He is trying his hand at raising kittens. He now is taking care of three little kittens in the Shop.

¶ Persons who visit the Machine Shop often wonder whether Grace Cushman is really a machinist or an office girl. We sometimes wonder too.

¶ Mrs. Tom Reid told yours truly at the outing that she had in her possession a good picture of Tom for the Pepperell Sheet. The Sheet would greatly appreciate receiving that picture for publication Mrs. Reid.

¶ Bill Harrington kept a watchful eye over Russ Harmon and yours truly at the outing. We wonder why? Eh Russ?



An expert log driver is Mr. Frechette, who is employed in room 84-A at Biddeford. This picture was taken on the Saco River, the oldest river for lumber operations in the U. S.

P. F. was always on hand to help a lady in distress at the Fall River Outing, and as the day was showery, P. F. was busy all day. Here he assists Miss Corkum with her coat.



SPINNING ROOM "B" MILL — Fall River

REPORTER: *Marion Dupuis*

¶ The Pepperell Social Club held their Annual Outing Saturday, August 9th, at Crescent Park. The weather, dinner and sport program were tops and everyone had an enjoyable time.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Costa spent a week in Canada visiting relatives, friends and places of interest. They enjoyed their trip a great deal.

¶ Mr. Alfred Smith is back to work after being out two weeks due to sickness. We are glad to see you back, Fred.

¶ We see more girls wearing ankle socks lately. Is it the weather or is it that silk stockings are getting scarce, girls?

¶ Mrs. Blanche Gamache took a day off to attend a wedding in Hartford, Conn. She said the bride and groom looked lovely and she had a very fine time.

¶ Mrs. Olive Hartman is back with us again. We hope you are feeling better now, Olive.

¶ Mrs. Regina Perron motored to Canada recently. We are glad you had a good time, Regina.

¶ Congratulations to Mrs. Mary Olivera on the birth of a baby girl.

¶ We hear that Lillian didn't like the new slide in the fun house at Crescent Park. Did you have to get out and push, Lillian? They say it's just a matter of getting used to it.

CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River

REPORTER: *Beatrice Dupuis*

¶ Miss Mary Paiva was presented a beautiful automatic toaster at a shower held recently on the occasion of her coming marriage.

¶ Another of our co-workers to be married soon is Bernard Thibeault. We also wish him lots of luck.

¶ Among the vacationists to New York from our department was our office girl, Gladys King.

¶ Everyone who attended the outing this year had a wonderful time. Enjoying the many amusements was Mary Correia, who was seen on the Dodge-Ems.

¶ Also having a grand time was Adam, Norman and Joseph Boyd, who seemed to be in quite a gay mood.

¶ You don't know what good singing is until you've heard Louis sing. We know because we came back on the bus with him from Crescent Park.

¶ Ann Bullard goes in for Bingo in a big way. You will always find her at a Bingo party.

¶ We wish to congratulate Roy Harmon, chairman of the Outing Committee, on the efficient manner in which everything was carried out.



Two old timers in baseball circles; Carl French and Tim Driscoll. It's a hard team to beat when Carl pitches and Tim umpires. They are both from Lewiston.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Phyllis LePage.*

¶ The black eye Henry Dubois is carrying around will just match the lump on Ernest Tessier's head. They collided while riding in the Flying Trapeze.

¶ Lorraine Lord asked out to entertain relatives from Canada, and then spent the week-end in Worcester visiting friends.

¶ Leo Lamothe asked out for a week for a vacation.

¶ Isabelle seems to be doing all right with a certain boy with the initials R. L.

¶ Mary Tessier came home with a reminder that she couldn't get rid of. Ask her about the stairs in the Fun house.

¶ "Al," the blonde, has all of the girls busy learning how to knit. She has a lovely voice also.

¶ Wedding bells are going to ring for two girls on the first floor. They intend to keep their secret a little longer though.

¶ Phyllis LePage will spend the week-end at her sister's, at Ocean Grove.

¶ Linda won most of the events for the girls at the outing. Nice going, Linda.

¶ Wilfred, who was a battery boy, is now weaving on the second shift. Nice to see you back, Wilfred.

CLOTH ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Ethel Marston.*

¶ Another year has rolled by with Pepperell celebrating its annual outing at Crescent Park. About a dozen girls, fellows and their husbands, wives and friends attended from here. An enjoyable time was had by all.

¶ Glad Buddy is improving Genevieve and hope to see you back to work soon.

¶ Do you ever wonder why Gert doesn't go in swimming? Ask the doughnut man.

¶ Some of the girls are wondering what Mr. Horne's secret is for losing weight. Don't ask him girls. He might tell you.

¶ Too bad Vera. But maybe when they start the new folder, Teddy will be back.

¶ Catherine was up to Boston to spend a week with her Hubby. We all know you had a wonderful time Kate.

¶ We will have to change Amy's name from "Asme" Kelly to flat foot floogie.

¶ Glad to see Billy back to work again after being out sick for two weeks.

¶ Delia was out for repairs last week. First she broke her glasses then she broke her tooth.

¶ Sh! Sh! Won't be long now before we have a shower on a certain party. It is a deep dark secret.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "A" — Fall River

REPORTERS: *Leo Chabot, Eddie Sheehan.*

¶ Now, that the curtain has been drawn, the first aid class members realize how much they have enjoyed their work and pleasure intermingled. This class wishes to express their grateful appreciation for the many kindnesses shown them from time to time by their teacher Miss Corkum, who is also our R. N. for this plant. Her kind guardianship will always be remembered by this class. The First Aid class outing was held at the Cape, dinner being served at the "White Rabbit".

¶ Mary Sullivan would still like to know why Phillip Frechette insists upon putting salt in his coffee.

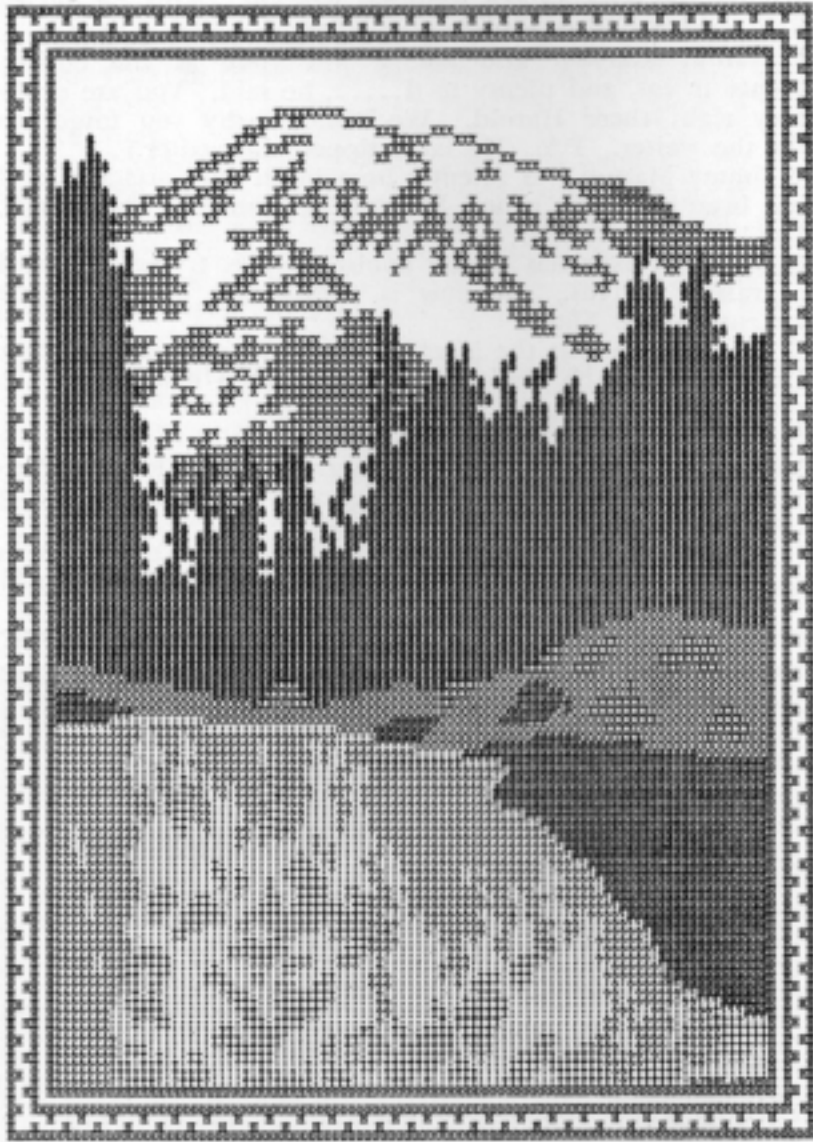
¶ The two Lapoints have done very well for themselves. They have taught Jane Berry how to swim and also life saving all in one lesson. Very good, boys.

¶ The first aid class would be very interested to know how Bertha Saunders made out with her date Saturday night, July 12, was he there, Bertha?

¶ Mary Sullivan, here's sound advice, whenever you go to the Cape make sure you tell Adrien Banville you do not want to go over the front seat.

¶ Evelyn Craig certainly entertained. She rendered some very fine vocal selections. Thank You, Evelyn.

¶ A sign on a rattle trap in a used car lot read, "Who'll drive this fine car away for \$30.00 cash"? Hill-Billy Gene Rich stood looking at the sign for a while and finally approached the dealer. "I'll take a chance, mister," he said, "Heres the dough".



MOUNT RAINIER.

This typewriter drawing by Rosaire Belanger was one that received much praise at the Hobby Exhibit in New York last month. During Mr. Belanger's visit to the show, he was asked to speak over WOR and Biddeford people were both proud and pleased to hear his voice.

WHO'S WHO
IN LEWISTON

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

MACHINE SHOP — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Carl Proctor.*

¶ Mike Donovan had a mishap to his car recently. Mike can tell you what he thinks of the "other party" in very few words.

¶ L. Long planted some dahlias last spring and tended them faithfully all summer. Now he has sunflowers for his trouble.

¶ John McDonald has an outboard motor for sale very cheap. Price is f.o.b. bottom of Mooshead Lake. John has bought a camp at Lake Cobbossee and needs the money.

¶ Louis Lucier has been worrying about oil for his oil burner next winter and wants to know who hasn't.

¶ Carroll Raymond, a member of the McFalls School Board, is quite busy on his off nights getting his teaching staff in line for the Fall opening.

¶ Ed Haskell is an expert on outboard motors—at least, that is what Frank Wellman says. We don't know whether or not he means it.

¶ Charlie Manning is one of those people who likes to attend pictures.

¶ Axel Neilson has bought himself a new camera and is busy finding out what all the gadgets mean.

¶ The boss took a hurried trip to the White Mountains recently and had a lot of climbing to do. He said he should have taken it 20 years ago.

SHOE GOODS DEPT. — Lewiston

REPORTER: *William Collins.*

¶ Willie Rioux and Bill Collins have recently returned from a vacation which was spent at some of Maine's famous resorts. "It didn't last long enough," is all they are sorry about.

¶ With so many new faces in our Department these days we wish to introduce them to you. Mrs. Dorothy "Dottie" White, the lass from way up in potato country. Welcome "Dottie". Mrs. Yvonne Ducharme, the wife of one of our prominent cafe proprietors. Nice having you, Yvonne. Johnny Lavoie, the lad from College Road. You'll know him because he is always raving about "Blondie". (His dog, of course.) Howard Johnson, not the ice cream man, but the lad from Virginia and Uncle Sam's army. Sam's loss our gain. Laurient Anctil, the short, stocky and very quiet fellow, whose hobby is radios. Do you need your radio repaired? See Larry. Joseph, "Sonny" Cronin, the youngest of us all. That is all we need to say. You all know him.

¶ Lila Fournier visited the Sebago State Park recently with the V. F. W. She has been talking about it ever since. Some place, says Lila.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. John Finn and son have moved to Arcadia Avenue. We all wish them happiness in their new home.

¶ Ruth Fenderson, a great lover of the outdoors, spent the week end at Rangeley Lake. She says the air smells great up there.

¶ Florence Daignault is beginning to believe in fortune tellers. Bill and Lila are pulling for her. Why?

¶ Arthur Gousse can be seen riding around town these nights in his "41" (31?) Pontiac.

¶ Our Department was well represented at the outing.



Sgt. Frank Cooper, who is stationed in Louisiana, is the brother of Ellen Cooper of the Lewiston sheet factory, and is very well known to all our employees especially those of the fair sex.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 1 — Lewiston

REPORTER: *William Judson.*

¶ Joseph Bousquet, a former napper, visited the room recently. Joe is located at Camp Blanding and likes army life very much.

¶ John Brennan is in the market for a second-hand tractor. John would also like to contact some nice, young lady who would like to do his housework.

¶ Things don't look quite as cheerful around since Stanley Smith left for Portland. Stanley could do a man's sized job and still have his harmless fun with those he knew.

¶ Joe Poulin made a hurried trip to Sherbrooke over the week-end. We don't know if it was a business or pleasure trip.

¶ Although Romeo Dumais is a veteran Lewiston fireman he hates water, especially if it falls on his head. Romeo thought it was funny when yours truly got ducked twice, but it wasn't so funny when he got a little himself.

¶ We welcome four new men to the Napping Room. Mr. John Buckley, who worked for a long time in the Wash Room; Mr. Ehrenfread, who is a student at University of Maine; Mr. Goff and Mr. Hennessey.

¶ Junior Pacquette who has been out sick for several months is gradually getting better—from all reports.

¶ We offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John Wade on the birth of a fine baby girl. Where are the cigars, Jack?

¶ If gasoline is rationed Freddy Cox plans to buy a motor-cycle to ride to and from New Gloucester.

¶ Emile Morin was seen limping up to the gate at a recent night ball game. The ticket collector waved him in thinking that he was an inmate of a neighboring institution.

¶ Ernest Giroux became suddenly full when it came his turn to buy the "round" with Ted and Emile recently.

¶ Nel Caron was very much disappointed the other day when, having learned a new match trick, he found the first person he showed it to knew the trick.

OFFICE — Lewiston

REPORTER: T. J. Anthoine.

¶ Harry Vaughn, our Editor, and member of the Arcadia Avenue Marching and Chowder Club, is making quite a name for himself these days as a star center-fielder on the office softball team.

¶ Harry Lizotte, star Lewiston amateur baseball player and brother of our Madeleine, is receiving his tryout with the Boston Braves at the National League Park in Boston. All loyal Lewistonians are positive that Harry can make the grade.

¶ Anita Fournier is doing all right for herself in the golf tournament at Martindale. She has already bowled over two opponents.

¶ Margaret Welch, our switchboard operator, has two lovely kittens, both coal black, one named Blackie and the other Coonie. They, no doubt, keep Margaret very busy.

¶ The most popular question around the office since July 1st has been "How's our John Murphy getting along?"

¶ There is another new resident at the Sabbatus Street home of the Lawlors. We doubt if this heir could possibly play softball as well as his dad.

¶ Regina Dennison's husband, Freddie, turned out to be quite a softball umpire. Regina always worries from the time he leaves home until he returns. We can't say that we blame her, as we know what some of these softball games are like.

¶ James Jackson, a brother of Kathleen Jackson, has become a buyer for one of New England's largest chain department stores. We sincerely hope that Kathleen has put a little bug in his ear about the quality and popularity of our Pepperell fabrics.

COLORS FINISHING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: John McKenna.

¶ Ernest Frachette has taken up soft ball very seriously, when he can get out nights.

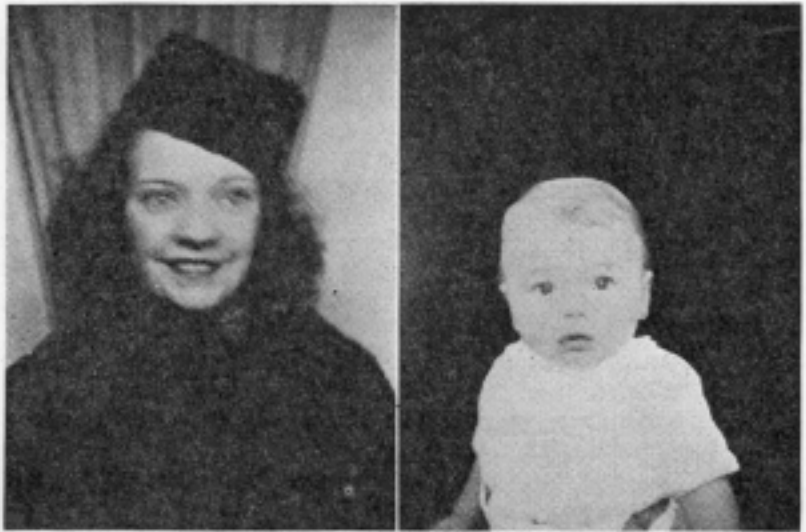
¶ Rita thinks Red Parsons made plenty of money selling blueberries. Red said he was selling below market prices.

¶ Pete Michaud is reaping the harvest of a hard summer's work in the garden.

¶ Helen Taylor has a hard time counting the soldiers that go by her house to the rifle range.

¶ Margaret Kelly enjoyed the Bleachery outing. How was the lobster, Margaret?

¶ Harry Black would like to rent his car for some Saturday. His price is \$3.00.



Mrs. George Loignon and her son, George, Jr. Mrs. Loignon is the former Obelina Golin and was employed in the blanket weave room at Biddeford.



Hester Dick and her boy friend are making hay while the sun shines. Hester is employed at the sheet factory in Lewiston.

FRAME ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: John Grimmel.

¶ Too bad Eddie has to do his vacation with Golden Wedding. Isn't it, Eddie?

¶ We hear that when Armand—(Bird-Club) goes out at night, he has to take a swim before he can go to work in the morning.

¶ Bath, South Portland, Connecticut—we have our suitcase packed. When do we leave, P. L.?

¶ Ray, if you always play softball the same as you did the other night you had better stick to your skates.

¶ J. H.'s Uncle came to Maine for his vacation from New York and he had J. H. busy showing him the high spots of Lewiston and Taylor Pond. We hope you both had a good time and that his vacation was a pleasant one.

¶ Dan Sullivan spent a week at Old Orchard Beach. And was his face red!

¶ Nap. Beaudry says if it gets any warmer in the Frame Room, he is going to melt away and nobody will be able to find him. Nobody can see him anyway.

¶ Jack Collins says he doesn't mind the heat because it makes him taller and more pleasingly plump every day.

¶ Welcome to the first shift, L. Pelletier,

¶ We hear that P. F. M. was quite a sheik at the L. A. Grocers outing recently. Some time, eh, Phil?

¶ Red Menneally, our softball manager, makes a striking figure in his bloomer pants.

¶ Al Custeau, the popular shoe salesman, was seen interviewing a couple of members of the Auburn Police force the other evening. Pretty close, eh, Al?

GREY ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: Joseph Gorman.

¶ Howard Call, who had much to do with the success of our recent outing, deserves a vote of thanks for his good work.

¶ Joe Gorman has returned from a vacation spent at Prince Edward Island. He made several good catches of herring.

¶ Al Gowell was the winner of a boat race at Bear Pond recently. He is a superb oarsman.

¶ Kid Renaud enjoyed himself immensely at the Bleachery outing. Who didn't!

CAN ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Bob Tiner*

¶ Dennis Cheresky, the Can Room's gift to the fairer sex, is now back in circulation after months of rest from the grasp of all the females. He is now doing very well with a young lady in Johnny Simard's room.

¶ Our feather merchant is now displaying another one of his many abilities by accepting the position of Coach of the Can Room's softball team. All players are requested to call him Coach.

¶ As mentioned above, one member of the Can Room is back in circulation, but another member is now out of circulation, meaning, of course, Herbie Roleson, who recently tied the knot for better or worse. Congratulations and good luck, Herbie!

¶ George Hopkins, right-hand man of "Atlas" Cooper, has perfected a sprinkler system. If he should suggest a demonstration don't observe too closely. (The Voice of Experience)

¶ Now that the mornings are getting colder, the red flannels will start to appear but "Speed" Morin has the situation well in hand as he wears his the year around.

¶ It was reported that "Honeydew" Hopkins found himself in an odd situation in a recent softball game. A batter hit a ball towards shortstop Hopkins, as Hopkins bent to pick up the ball, the second baseman grabbed what he thought to be the ball, and ! ! ! well, the batter reached first. Don't laugh, Buteau—it's going.

¶ Due to the fact that material in this issue was entered before the outing, no comments of the affair can be mentioned at this time. But no stone will be left unturned in the next issue.

SPECIAL CLOTHS DEPARTMENT

— Lewiston

REPORTER: *Harold Dustan.*

¶ Frank Keneboris is now in the army. Frank was given a purse by his fellow workers and many parties by friends, who all wish him well.

¶ Floyd Harding has left us to work in Portland. We will miss Floyd and wish him lots of luck at his new job.



Strolling down Main Street at Biddeford 18 years ago was Clarence Williams, ace piper and worm purchaser. Clarence is proud of this picture and has repeatedly asked us to reprint it.

Tom St. Laurent, an employee of the Lewiston Plant, is seen doing a little pic(necking) at Old Orchard Beach.



¶ Wally almost sold Floyd his car but the deal was called off. Floyd said he was afraid that the defense program would claim it for a smoke screen.

¶ Don Olquin and Bob Roy are living at Taylor Pond this summer.

¶ Wally Witham says he will take his future plane rides on the ground. Wally was so shaken up in a recent flight that he was sick for two days.

¶ Wally is proud of his garden this year, and he certainly does bring in some nice Cukes.

¶ Wally Leahy, who has worked with us this summer, has gone back to school. We will be watching for Wally at the football games this Fall.

NAPPING ROOM NO. 2 — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Chas. Vaillancourt.*

¶ Ed Morin claims that he has given up his light weight crown of the department, and has taken up ping pong, so he challenges anybody at it.

¶ Mr. Binette said that his business is coming along fine. He's an expert on feminine beauty. Avon is his product.

¶ Roger Bellville said that the next time he goes out of town, and has to sleep in a hotel, he's going to let his beard grow, so that they won't ask him how old he is. Then he will have proved what he said. Maybe!

¶ "Roland Moreau, the Great". That's his own build up.

¶ Mr. Nadeau's disposition among the boys is one of the best, especially the way he dresses.

¶ Mr. Armand Vaillancourt has cultivated a sudden quietness in our department lately. We wonder why.

¶ Napoleon Dumais, one of the Dumais brothers, has acquired himself a girl. A very cute one at that.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Roger Turcotte have increased the population with a baby girl, weighing ten pounds. Congratulations.

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

REPORTERS: *Blanche Sawyer, Helen McMahon, Jeanette Haley, Dorothy Casey, Ellen Cooper.*

¶ Theresa Levesque, of the new unit table, says that she has a boy friend and the boys should stop trying to get bachelors for her.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Morrell went native and spent their vacation camping at Camden.

¶ May Yeaton has been on her vacation. Hope you had a good time, May.

¶ Hope you didn't work too hard on your vacation and had time for a bit of rest, Margaret.

¶ Rita Cunliffe is back with us after an absence of a few months. Glad to have you back, Rita.

¶ The new Sheet reporter, Dot Casey, only hopes she can do her job well in filling the shoes of her predecessor.

¶ The new sweeper in the Sheet Room this month is "Gabe" Tetrault, the baritone who sang in the minstrel show.

¶ "Al" Gallant has a "rovin" eye lately. Every pretty girl in the Sheet Factory will testify.

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Wearing the badge which admitted them to all free amusements are Mabel Turcotte, Loraine Lagasse, and Theresa Roux. These girls took part in several of the sporting events with considerable enjoyment.

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¶ We wonder who is sending "billets doux" to Judy every now and then?
¶ One little mouse in the Sheet Factory will be careful in the future not to get into an empty Coca-Cola bottle for a nap.
¶ Anyone having news items please forward them to one of your reporters. Your co-operation will make the Sheet more interesting for you and to everybody.
¶ With the revival of old songs—someone should take "River stay 'way from my door" out of the mothballs and sing it around the Bleachery some mornings.
¶ Vite Ouilette dropped in to see us recently. His new job must agree with him, as he looks very good.
¶ Helen Soule spent a weekend at Bar Harbor. Hobnobbing with the rich, Helen?
¶ Edgar says that he's buying a new car. Probably the first payment will be made with his bonus.
¶ The girls in the Storehouse were clamoring for fans for those hot, humid days we had.
¶ Judy wants to know who will join her "Man-hater Club." Don't you, Judy?
¶ The invited girls are in a hurry for Mary Stokowsky's home to be built, as they are waiting for their spaghetti feed.

Miss Maine Meets Virginian

¶ Now that the ceiling has been taken off one of the storehouses, the "electric eye" machine boys say it's much cooler.
¶ Dennis says he had a wonderful rest on his week's vacation.
¶ Mert O'Connell left us for the local Gas Company. Good luck on your new job, Mert.
¶ We've got a cute boy lugging our boxes for us. His name is Billy Lever, girls. Too bad he is going back to school in the Fall.
¶ Mary Call started her vacation by going to Old Orchard with Christine; then went to her father's camp for a rest.
¶ Girls, girls, what these new hairdoes do to us!!!
¶ Rose Cote, you should pose for a miniature. Your hair looks very nice.
¶ Mildred K, why the monopoly on "Maria Elena?" Sentimental reasons? We wish you'd tell us, or shouldn't we ask?
¶ We all wish Irene Dudzic the best of luck when the Stork arrives.
¶ Has anyone noticed Timmy Sullivan's sport shirts these days? Your reporter nominates him Glamour Boy No. 1.
¶ Hope you keep that nice, slim figure you acquired on your vacation, Wanda.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gastongual have returned from their two weeks' vacation looking very well rested.

¶ Rose Levesque has recently returned to her old doubling job. We wonder if it was for figure or figures!
¶ Glad to have you back after your illness, Blanche.
¶ We hope Celina Martin had a nice wedding anniversary in Boston a few weeks ago. It was her fifth one. We wish you many more, Celina.
¶ Teddy tells us her vacation was not long enough. Especially after meeting that "handsome" Virginian.
¶ We hope Minnie will have a nice cruise. She deserves it. We will miss her a lot.
¶ What is the matter, Blanche? Didn't you like Portsmouth?
¶ If Theresa Levesque does not stop drinking so much Coca-Cola, the Company will go dry.
¶ Olive tells us she has been rubbing noses. But with whom, we wonder.
¶ We wish Marion a lot of happiness on her recent marriage. Also Blanche Bolka.
¶ We want to thank Gertie for furnishing her room with green apples.
¶ Marie is getting more streamlined every day. Keep up the good work, you are looking swell.
¶ Celina Baril does not like to be mentioned in our Column. What is the matter, can't you take it, Celina?

Cupid Hands Out Diamonds

¶ Yvette McKenna was sorry to have her vacation end. She had to put her shoes back on.
¶ We are all glad to have Eddie Fahey back on the night shift after working for a while, days.
¶ Bernadette Paradise returned to work recently after being on a sick leave. Feel better, Bernadette?
¶ Could Uncle Sam speed up the mail from Louisiana for Bernadette Malo?
¶ Have you seen the new rings that Doris Lyons and Fernande Lagasse are wearing?
¶ Why doesn't "Doc" Russell want his name in the Sheet? Bashful, "Doc"?
¶ Jane, did you meet "Green Eyes" on your recent trip to Connecticut? You've been driving us all crazy noontimes playing this piece. What is the story?
¶ Mary D, we'd love to know why you spend all those weekends at Old Orchard. Is he tall, tan and terrific?
¶ Glad to have you back, Louis Lemieux. But better take it easy and not work too hard.
¶ Rita Cunliffe has recently returned to the Bleachery to handle the colored slips. We hope you like your new job, Rita.
¶ If Emma Patry gets much darker she will be mistaken for Blanche Calloway.
¶ Although everyone has probably spent their bonus by this time, everyone will agree it was a very welcome gift from Pepperell.
¶ Mrs. Hazel Isabel spent her vacation at Thompson Lake and had a very nice time. Her mother joined her over the week-end.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Ludger Lachance and son, Roger, Mrs. Clairette Dube and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Boulet have returned from a delightful visit to Montreal and Ottawa, Canada, and Detroit, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Lachance and Mrs. Dube are employed at our Plant.

This picture of Marie Nadeau of the blanket cloth room at Biddeford is printed for identification purposes. Marie got lost the other day and will the finder please return her to the cloth room.



aftermath of the last war should at least have taught us that lesson. The cotton textile industry was especially hard hit at that time and has suffered from the consequences for twenty years. The severest results were due to a tremendous expansion in plant capacity. Higher and higher prices and profits stimulated an almost insane appetite for more and more production, and spindles and looms were installed without regard to anything except the temporary profits. The resulting collapse, delayed until the depression of 1920-21, carried the price of ordinary cotton goods down a greased toboggan chute from over \$1.00 per pound to less than 30c per pound. Cotton dropped from about 44c per pound to 11c. Younger people in our industry cannot learn the tragedy of this period from a mere study of its statistics. The cold figures do not portray the failure of longstanding and successful firms to live up to their contracts and the consequent effect on the mills. Many a mill lost its working capital or at least had it seriously depleted in a few short and distressing months.

In the adjustments which will be necessary when the present emergency is over, some losses will be inevitable. But it is to be hoped that our industry will at least save itself from that proportion of losses that would result from unwise and uneconomic over-expansion. Fortunately, priorities established by the Government for the defense industries in steel and certain essential machinery may put an effective curb on over-expansion of production facilities in the cotton industry. Whether by reason of government restrictions through priorities, or otherwise, it is vital that this over-expansion be avoided, especially since machinery in the last war was operated fewer aggregate hours per week than is the case today when many mills are operating twenty-four hours per day six days per week.

Campaigns of national advertising have been carried on by your Company continuously through recent years and an enviable reputation has been established for the thoroughness of the service which we render wholesalers and retailers in the matter of advertising material designed to assist them in selling Pepperell products. The Company is looked upon as a leader in the packaging of sheets, pillowcases and blankets. Many sales and promotional activities initiated by us in past years have become common practice in the industry today. Constant care is taken to keep abreast of current trends and to keep all our methods strictly up-to-date. The women of today buy more intelligently than ever and want more and more data regarding the products they buy. In keeping with this trend the Company has embarked on a program of informative labelling which gives full and complete facts about Pepperell products.

The Company operates laboratories in each of its five plants where we constantly test our own products as well as materials and supplies which are purchased. Our products are thoroughly examined and tested both before and after they have been used by consumers. Competitors' products are similarly tested by us. The information obtained is made available to the Sales, Advertising and Production Departments. With our own organization and with the assistance of suppliers of materials and machinery and of our consulting engineers, we are constantly working to improve our present products, develop new products and to increase efficiency. We are constantly on the watch for new patented manufacturing processes either to be purchased outright or to be used on a royalty basis. We believe that the rate at which we have adopted new machinery and processes exceeds that of the industry as a whole.

Pepperell continues well out in front in its attention to the health and well-being of its employees. The finely equipped clinics of each plant pursue a purposeful policy to help our people in their daily troubles. They are not set up merely to alleviate the results of occupational accidents. Each plant has its own hospital plan determined by the majority of the employees themselves and therefore best adapted to the requirements of local conditions.

**DON'T FORGET THIS SAFETY RULE,
TO DISOBEY IT MEANS A FOOL**



This sign is posted in a department of Pepperell's mill in Lindale, Georgia, but it means as much to Biddeford, Lewiston and Fall River as it does to the people in the Southern mill.

"Always Be Careful" is a pretty well known slogan, but it means as much today as when it was first used. If you ever

had an accident, or if you know of anyone who had one, think back and you'll be pretty certain to find that a moment of carelessness caused it.

It needs to be said again and again, "Always Be Careful". There's no fun in waiting until you have an accident before you believe that it's worth being careful.

